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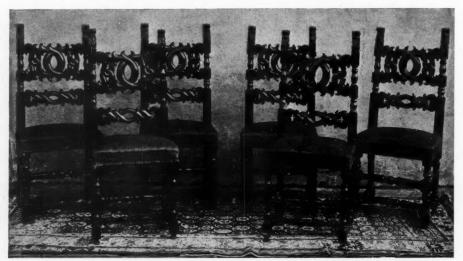
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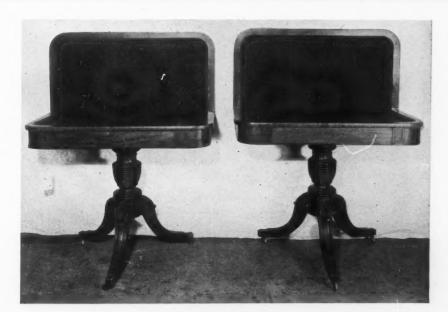
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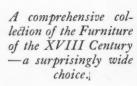
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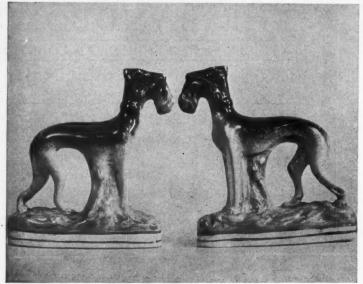
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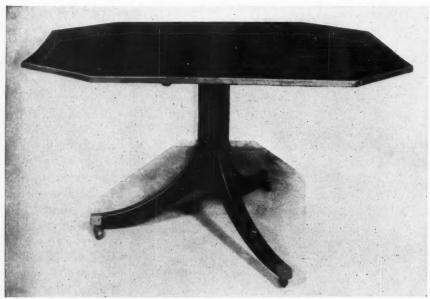
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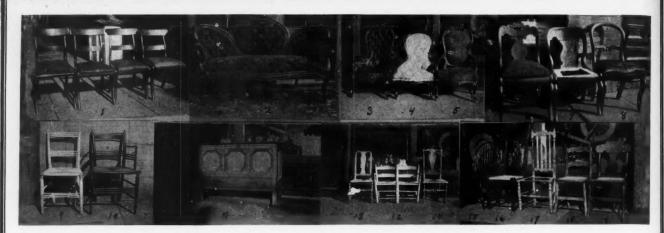
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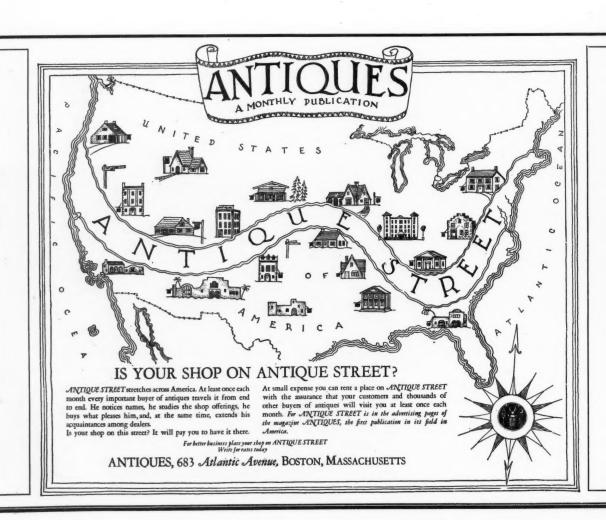
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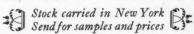
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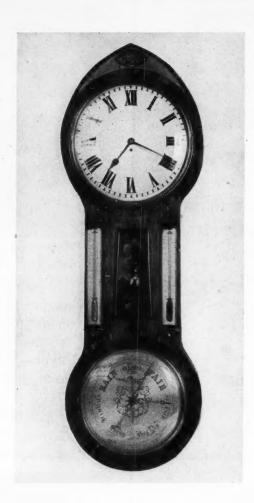
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A EUROPEAN PEWTER COLLECTION

Readers of Antiques will be interested in this Swiss dining room and its arrangement of an exceptional collection of pewter. Immediately at the left of the door hangs, from an iron bracket, a biberon, concerning which Antiques has already published some discussion (Vol. VII, p. 246, and Vol. VIII, p. 217.) To the left of this, again, appears, as part of the general room fitment, a lavabo basin, or aquamanile, with dolphin-shaped water container above. Such pieces were a dining room feature in days past. Other items will be discussed in the course of the series of articles on European pewter by H. H. Cotterell which begins in this number. From the home of Caspar Hirsbrunner, Lucerne, Switzerland.

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WITH this issue, ANTIQUES begins its sixth year of publication. The magazine is, obviously, still to be viewed as something of an infant in the periodical field; hence the Attic will refrain from celebrating the birthday by hanging flags from its eaves, by blowing clarion bugles from its window lunettes, or by erecting beside its narrow portal twin plaster statues, one gazing steadfastly beneath shaded hand to the ruddy West in token of triumphant retrospect, the other similarly scanning the golden East by way of symbolizing a boundless destiny. Such performances go with silver jubilees and sesqui-centennials; not with the cracking of a new tooth or two.

Nevertheless, it is true that infant magazines, like infants in general, must encounter a period of greatest mortality, whose successful passing is assumed to augur well for long continued survival. There is a saying that widowers and babies are with difficulty brought through a second summer. Magazines, on the other hand, are assumed to enjoy rather delicate health for a matter of five years. And if, occasionally, Jove splits his pate to yield a progeny full grown, the event offers miraculous exception to the rule of small beginnings and toilsome early progress. It seems, therefore, permissible for Antiques to experience a sense of modest elation at having successfully traversed its period of peril; and at the same time to record a word of gratitude to those whose loyal encouragement, given in a thousand different ways, has contributed to a happy culmination.

Much Still to Be Said

When Antiques began, its well-wishers were kind in their expressions of good will. Yet, there were those who doubted that fresh material for such a publication could be secured for more than a year, or two, at most, and that, within the boundaries of such time, the magazine would be obliged to shut up for lack of something to say. Fortunately such pessimistic prognostications have proved unfounded. With each added month of experience, Antiques

has uncovered increasingly rich sources of available information and has mapped out ever-widening fields inviting to present and future research. At no time have the editorial problems of the magazine been so much those of finding appropriate subject matter as of commanding adequate facilities for thorough preparation of material and sufficient space for its satisfactory presentation.

A Nation of Collectors

Such confession of occasional difficulty constitutes, it may be hoped, no more than a fugitive display of that divine dissatisfaction without whose urge progress becomes impossible. If so, it may be accepted as an indication of future promise for ANTIQUES. The passion for collecting in America is constantly increasing in volume; it is increasing, likewise, in intelligence. Search for the roots of those arts which feed modern industry has become part of the general movement. History becomes less concerned with human turmoil and upheaval than with the monuments, great and small, which creative genius has erected amid oases of peace.

Something more than love of luxury is apparent in all this, something more than the striving of ostentation to surround itself with rare adornment. The truth of the matter is that America has suddenly become really conscious of its own brave past and of its present rights as heir of all the ages. The nation's immediate task is that of collecting and appraising its vast inheritance. To assist, as effectively as may be, in that tremendous undertaking is the purpose of Antiques. It is a purpose sufficiently all-embracing to ensure the magazine of useful and absorbing occupation during many years to come.

The Index to Volume X

In preparing the Index to Antiques for the last six months an attempt at simplification has been made. This may or may not prove successful; but the Index is ready for those who wish it.

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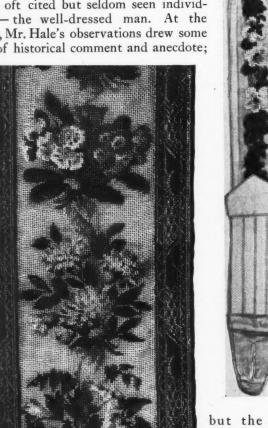
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Galluses Sunt Diversae

From those foreign news dispatches which are given precedence in the daily papers, the Attic is pleased to learn that "ornamental suspenders are the latest innovations of the Beau Brummels of Bond Street", the new fad taking the form of "stenciled or woven pictures on the shoulder straps of the braces". If this be true, we are, indeed, retracing our steps rapidly toward the Victorian period so lately and vociferously derided.

It was only yesterday that the male individual who supported his trousers by other means than a belt confessed

the fact, not without shame, as a necessitous capitulation to an overflowing waistline. Three years ago, however, Philip Hale, in the Boston Herald, presaged the restoration of suspenders to their place among the wardrobe accessories of that oft cited but seldom seen individual—the well-dressed man. At the time, Mr. Hale's observations drew some fire of historical comment and anecdote;



but the resurgence of suspenders, if it actually occurred according to schedule, aroused no extraordinary hubbub. Now, however, bearing the intitulation of braces, and gauded with stenciled or woven pictures,

these humble habiliments are heralded from abroad as a swanking novelty. And, of course, they are nothing of the kind.

Sixty-odd years ago, gay suspenders were of almost universal employment. The store articles were arabesqued with machine-woven adornment; but that man was poor of admiring and industrious female friends who could not boast at least one pair of braces elaborately cross-stitch embroidered by hand.

Such a gift was considered an appropriate and not too intimate token from a young lady to her betrothed. The Attic is privileged to introduce two fragments of such betrothal offerings—one belonging to Mrs. Charles E. Griffith of Glen Ridge, New Jersey, and the other to Mrs. C. A. Adams of Middlebury, Vermont. The first specimen was wrought by a European ancestress and, now, bordered with golden braid, has been released to the serving of purely decorative ends; the other, while not now actively employed, still maintains some visible means of support.

Both specimens are products of the mid-nineteenth century craze for homemade art and for the broadcasting of its manifestations as mementos of affectionate regard. In those enviable Victorian days, the approach of Christmas found the women-folk of the family absorbed in the production of fancy work. The passing of the festival left wide circles of friends inextricably submerged beneath an extraordinary assortment of hand-wrought tributes. In her Lady's Manual of Fancy Work, published in 1858, Mrs. Pullan enumerates items of "ladies' ornamental work" suitable for presents. Her list includes antimacassars, book markers, cushions, doilies, foot muffs, lambrequins, mats, mitts, penwipers, sachets, shaving books, smoking caps, tobacco bags, slippers, and "braces (suspenders) generally on canvas, black or white". If the re-appearance of the last of these suitabilities implies the probable return of all the others into popular circulation, the present generation should at once endeavor to forestall the disaster by taking swift and sacrificial measures to propitiate the evidently offended gods.

Not All Pineapples

The Thomas Hope, to whose designing gifts the cupboard here illustrated is credited, is not to be confused with Thomas Hope, the dilettante architect, designer, and novelist, who helped the course of Empire furniture along its way in early nineteenth century England. Yet the Hope of our immediate concern was an Englishman — born in Tenterden, County Kent, England, December 25, 1757, and educated, it would appear, as an architect.

He came to America, it is said, accompanying Ralph Isard, the younger, to build the latter's house in Charleston, South Carolina. The establishment is now the residence of the Bishop of Charleston.

During his early days in America, Hope fell in love with a Southern girl, Elizabeth Large, of Cherams Hill. The two were married March 4, 1793. Two children were born of the union. Thomas Hope's services as architect seem to have been in considerable demand throughout the South. In 1820, the year of his death, he was engaged in building

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operations at Boatyard, now known as Kingsport, Tennessee.

Soon after his marriage, Hope had moved to Knoxville, Tennessee, and here he built a brick mansion subsequently known as *Trafalgar*. When, in recent years, this old house interfered with the progress of the Southern Railway, it was marked for destruction. But, before the threatened sacrifice, Albert Guinn Hope, great-grandson of the architect, succeeded in rescuing this corner cupboard from the place and in transferring it to his own home in Knoxville. The circumstance that *Trafalgar* was eventually spared

CORNER CUPBOARD (c. 1805)

does not impair Mr. Hope's satisfaction in his acquisition.

Evidently constructed of native southern pine, this cupboard was originally painted. Its design is simple and dignified, all its lines are straight, and its decoration consists of no more than a fluted frieze above the lower section and a finely denticulated cornice at the top of the edifice. So much of eighteenth century exquisiteness in the South was crushed out forever under the heavy tyranny of the Empire and post-Empire styles that it is pleasant to record occasional survivals such as this cupboard.

Another pleasing piece of Southern provenance is a small serpentine front mahogany chest of drawers, belonging to Mrs. Benjamin A. Morton of Knoxville. Its date lies probably between 1795 and 1800. A rather wide strip of inlay above a reversed fan, or sunburst, likewise inlaid, seems a favorite apron finish for certain of these Hepplewhite specimens that have been found in Pennsylvania and further to the southward. To what extent the more striking manifestations of this decoration are indicative of oldtime local preferences or are incidental to more recent repair and restoration would be impossible to determine. The lines of Mrs. Morton's chest of drawers are graceful, and the proportions are carefully studied. The unusually reduced overhang of the top board gives the piece an aspect of singularly crisp tidiness. Mrs. Morton made her purchase in Virginia. Whether or not the chest was made in that state there is no sure means of determining.

For photographs and particulars concerning cupboard and chest of drawers, the Attic is indebted to the respective owners of these pieces; for generous helpfulness in bringing the material together, to Miss Sophie Harrill, of Knoxville, who, having become resentful of Northern insinuations as to the preponderance of pineapples among antiquities of the South, has undertaken to furnish proof of the existence of far finer fruits of early craftsmanship below the Mason and Dixon line.



CHEST OF DRAWERS (c. 1790)

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Fig. 1 (center) — HUDIBRAS ON HORSEBACK (Astbury); (sides) — PUTTI ON LIONS (Ralph Wood)

An interesting contrast between early eighteenth century honest rusticity and late eighteenth century artificial urbanity.

Staffordshire Figures of the Eighteenth Century

By Mrs. GORDON-STABLES

HE fact that very little of real critical value has thus far been published on the subject of Staffordshire figures is, perhaps, a matter for rejoicing rather than for regret, since it leaves the field open to individual and unbiased judgment of a branch of artistic output of which a modern craze tends to confuse the issues.

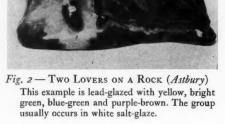
There have, indeed, been a great unearthing of records and documents, a great sifting of evidence concerning methods of glazing and firing, a great effort to assign definite pieces to specific modelers, and so on; but the result of all this industry, when finally boiled down, gives comparatively little, and still leaves opportunity for independent speculation and the exercise of originality and taste on the part of the potential collector.

For the sake of convenience, certain figures of archaic type, such as The Lady Holding a Fan, The Pair of Lovers Seated on a Rock (Figs. 4 and 2), and others of similar aspect, are now comprehensively referred to as by Astbury, that master-potter who trained under the Brothers Elers, Dutchmen, who settled in England toward the close of the seventeenth century and introduced into their new abode the use

of salt in the production of glazes.* The Brothers Elers were technicians; Astbury was the artist who made use of their technique to enhance his own work as modeler and designer. It is customary to describe his figures as crude, or even coarse; but those to whom primitive art makes a real appeal discover in them the directness and force of the truly archaic.

These vigorous small sculptures are

These vigorous small sculptures appear to have emanated from a man who had been spared contact with a more highly evolved art, and who could, in consequence, approach his task with mind unconfused and undominated. And yet, in spite of this, there would seem to abide in Astbury's unsophisticated renderings of man and beast something of the virility and beauty of early Chinese art, so that, now and again, one is tempted to believe that, in some way or other, he must have been touched by that fondness for Oriental modes which, following the rise of the East India Company, manifested itself in so many branches of art during the entire eighteenth century in England.



*John Astbury is said to have been born about 1678, and to have died in 1743. To his son Thomas some writers incline to give chief credit for developing figure work and for improving methods of treating pottery clay.

On the whole, however, one is inclined to the view that, in the main, this haunting similarity is to be accounted for not by conscious or unconscious imitation, but by that inherent dynamic impulse which is part and parcel of primitive art, no matter among what races or in what period it manifests itself.

So archaic in type are many of the Astbury figures that, when shown to those ignorant of their history, they are usually attributed to a period antecedent to their own by at least two centuries, a fact which tends to corroborate the theory that, in England, art progresses at a slower rate than obtains in many European countries. Compare Astbury's output with the eighteenth century potting in Germany and France, and the validity of the contention becomes immediately obvious.

Now, although the figures produced by the Wood family of Burslem loom largest of all in the eyes of the average collector of Staffordshire, the careful student is disposed to dwell at great length upon Astbury and upon his pupil Thomas Whieldon; because in their comparatively rude modeling, exist both imaginative force and creative lifelikeness, whereas in the more advanced work of later masters, tech-

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Astbury's Musicians playing their various instruments, his Hudibras astride his nag (Figs. 4 and 5), may be possessed of limbs which appear strangely rudimentary in

structure; their features may recall the contours of halfpenny buns with currants for eyes; yet, the more one studies them, the more one reacts to the life in these little objects. They do move and have their being, they do invoke music from their pipes and flageolets, they do make love and enter into conversation one with another.

In the greater number of works by later potters, the figures, academic in comparison, appear posed; they belong to the realm of the stage; and though, in point of the purely decorative, they may surpass the others, they are less appealing, less near to us.

As an example of this, regard Ralph Wood's Strephon and Phyllis, a group also known as The Birdcage (Fig. 3), which offers us a charming couple, unlike any real shepherd and shepherdess that ever truly existed, and who, one feels sure, must have deliberately ordered their costumes from a theatrical costumier, and studied their poses well before they sat for their portraits. Here they are, wondering very much what effect they are producing upon their audience.* Note, too, the imperfect fashion in which heads are set on necks, and necks on shoulders - details in which the Woods seldom excelled. They had arrived at the stage when impeccability



Fig. 3 — Strephon and Phyllis (Ralph Wood)

An attempt to interpret in cottage statuary the bucolic romanticism of the French school of painting.

in such matters might reasonably be expected; but the expectation is not always satisfied.

^{*}Thomas Whieldon died in 1798. The chief members of the Wood family were Ralph the elder (1715–1772); his son Ralph (1748–1795); Aaron Wood (1717–1785), amold cutter, brother of the elder Ralph; and Aaron's son Enoch (1759–1840).



Fig. 4 - FIGURES (Astbury)

An extraordinary series, displaying powers of expressive delineation, with rare economy of effort, on the modeler's part. The bust of a man, and the figures of a woman (perhaps a Madonna) and child particularly deserve to be termed great little sculptures. In both pieces the artist has, all unconsciously, achieved those qualities of spontaneity and naïve directness for which modern sophistication labors in vain.

The work of Thomas Whieldon is by no means easy to identify, any more than that of the various members of the Wood family. Much that goes by Whieldon's name must actually have been made by Wedgwood; while Whieldon's fellow pupil, the elder Ralph Wood, was doubtless responsible for a good deal more. Whieldon specialized in animals rather than in men, and experimented freely in manganese splashed effects, and in tortoise-shell glazes - often with small regard to their appropriate use. His Virgin and Child, for instance, though an interesting piece of modeling, may hardly be said to look its most attractive as a bit of tortoise-shell ware.

It is fairly safe to assert that no figures which display the beady use of manganese for eyeballs may be correctly attributed to either Whieldon or the Woods, for, toward the end of his career Astbury him-



Fig. 5—HUDIBRAS ON HIS HORSE (Ralph Wood, Jr.)
Notable for its broad humor, its forceful modeling, and its lusciousness of glaze.

self discarded this device and adopted that of slightly tooling the eyes, without the addition of any local color at all. He left it for those who followed after him to adopt the method of bestowing a slight color wash and of developing elaborations of tooling. Of the latter, perhaps the finest example of all is to be found in the Wesley bust, (by Enoch Wood), in which the eyes are quite extraordinarily expressive (Fig. 6).

Under the Woods, both flesh tints and plain white are used during the same period, for faces; but of these two processes, the former, as a rule, creates the more pleasant effect. With the larger portion of the Woods' best pieces, John Voyez - one of those a-moral geniuses to whom everything, save so much as a stable code of ethics, comes easy - is almost certainly to be credited. Voyez, having left the employ of the Wedgwood firm under

somewhat shady circumstances (and here it may be remarked that some of his best modeling was done while in prison) entered the service of the Woods; and his name appears on a number of pieces, notably plaques, medallions, and other articles obviously glazed and potted by Ralph Wood, Jr., with whom Voyez seems to have worked in close and constant collaboration.* In all, there were four successive generations of Ralph Woods; but, in the develop-

ment of the potter's craft, there were only two that count; namely, the second Ralph Wood and his son.† It is these two, who, in conjunction with Enoch Wood, known affectionately as the "father of the potters", and Aaron Wood, brother of Ralph II, uncle of Ralph III, and father of Enoch, who left their impress on their craft.

When one considers the modest prices at which the majority of these Staffordshire figures were offered for sale, their quality is more than ever to be marvelled at. Even on examples that were to be vended at little more than a shilling apiece, the glaze amazes one by its translucency and brilliance.

Now that the market is being flooded with imitations of the original work, it is this quality in the glaze that establishes itself as the most reliable means of distinguishing the spurious from the genuine. The glaze employed at this period is so exquisite that it conveys to the surface of the clay a texture that, to the touch, seems almost like velvet. It is so rich in quality that there is no contradiction in describing it as, at the same time, soft and brilliant. And yet, strange to relate, it is only comparatively recently that this quality

has been duly appreciated. Even those entrusted with the responsibility of buying for museums failed at one time to understand the merits of these early figures as compared with those dull, lifeless, enamel decorations that chip so horribly and give such a cheap effect to the whole.

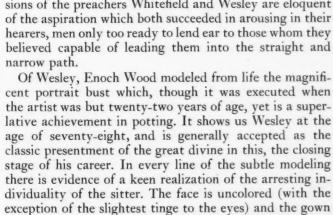
It is often claimed that one can tell the genuine Wood figure by the fact that such a one invariably displays, in some portion or another of its anatomy, a space where the glaze has missed, and where, in consequence, one may make a mark with a lead pencil. But this is by no means a certain test, since there exist indubitable Wood figures on which no such area is to be discovered.

In the same way, the dictum that authentic examples must prove unglazed at the base is not to be regarded as infallible, since specimens are by no means infrequent where the base is at least lightly brushed over with glaze. Apart from intrinsic evidence as to characteristics of modeling and of color, the glaze and the weight perhaps offer the most trustworthy guide to authenticity. The weight in the genuine figures is found to be distinctly slight in proportion to size, owing to the composition of the clays employed at the time. When a piece is heavy in the hand, it may be rejected with reasonable certainty.

Though the Wood family were the first to adopt the plan of stamping their figures with their name or their rebus (four trees side by side) they, nevertheless, frequently omitted their mark, so that a specimen without such a stamp may still be perfectly genuine. Ralph Wood, Sr. used a stamp in which his name appears in capital letters; thus, R. WOOD, while that of his son was RA WOOD. A series of mold numbers was also employed, but of these a considerable proportion still remains untraced. Hence, the collector of Staffordshire figures may hope to enjoy the triumph of discovering some hitherto unknown example.

Marked RA WOOD, BURSLEM, and bearing the mold number, 42, is the group, Hudibras on His Horse, a piece, which, in common with many another, has in it much of that sturdy humor which the novelist of the Five Towns, Arnold Bennett, has succeeded in bringing home to his readers. Indeed, in studying this Staffordshire pottery, one is conscious, over and over again, of that spirit of shrewd kindliness, of selfreliant doggedness, of wit, of insight that are distinguishing characteristics of the folk of this part of the country.

When it comes to the portrayal of some popular divine, there is brought to the task a profound sense of reverence and respect. The different versions of the preachers Whitefield and Wesley are eloquent



is tinted to the same delicate shade of green as that



Fig. 6 - John Wesley (Enoch Wood) Face uncolored, robes green. A fine bit of portraiture.

*C.f. Rackham and Read: English Pottery, New York, 1924, p. 102. †Ralph and Aaron Wood were brothers, sons of a Ralph Wood, known as "the honest miller of Burslem" (b. 1676).—Ed.

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employed in the Whitefield bust, at one time in the Stoner collection.

Frank Falkner in his volume The Wood Family of Burslem, which was published in 1912 — prior to the discovery of this particular version of Wesley — throws out the suggestion that some day a Wesley bust corresponding to the Whitefield might possibly come to light. It was not, however, until 1920 that he was proved in the wrong by the

discovery of the bust here pictured. This, the only known specimen in existence, was one day brought in unexpectedly to the collector and author, Edward Sheldon, from whose keeping it later passed on to that of Mr. Andrade, its present owner.

I find the quality of humor conspicuously present both in the Whieldon bust of the Duke of Cumberland, a very debonair bit of work (Fig. 7), and in the Astbury group of King George II on horseback (Cover). In neither is there the slightest hint of that submissive state of mind which is so apt to overtake the portraitist, whether in paint or in pottery, at the thought of a royal sitter. There is an irrepressible jollity, a suggestion of the hail-fellow-well-met about both pieces that engages one's affections straightway. Were it not for the initials G.R. on the holsters of the mounted figure, one would hardly have suspected this to be a portrait of His Majesty, himself, as he appeared at the Battle of Dettingen, in 1743. The color of the group is particularly gay and jolly. The cocked hat is touched with green and brown; there are yellow buttonholes to the

white tunic, and the tail of the jacket is green. Horse and trappings are in brown, with a touch of yellow in the holsters.

The earlier Staffordshire pieces keep to cream and brown, and it is believed that Astbury's first essays were made in red clay. From the two-color experiments he passed on to three tints, introducing at the same time the manganese eyeballs, later abandoned. The George II figure belongs to the three-color era and was probably produced by the artist quite toward the end of his career.

Ralph Wood, in his companion pair of *Cupids* on their respective lion and lioness, was catering to the well-to-do townsman, the successful shopkeeper, or, possibly, a more

aristocratic patron still. We feel the touch of Voyez in such pieces, as we do in the many Venuses, Neptunes, Seasons, and Sphinxes that emanated from the Wood factory. In these Cupid groups, the animals are, to my mind, finer than the little figures astride them; and suggest that an even more interesting and profitable hobby than the collecting of Staffordshire figures might be discovered in the collecting of Staffordshire animals. Horses and dogs, squirrels and goats, deer and rams, elephants and hippopotami, boars and bulls, all figure among the virile animal studies of the day and possess a spirited quality which marks them as works of art well deserving of specialization on the part of the collector.

The output of the Staffordshire factories during the eighteenth century was so varied that it would be impossible, even within the scope of a far more exhaustive review than this, to consider each and every type of figure produced during this epoch. It is by familiarity with the general work, by the constant handling of specimens, and patient concentration upon the various points of modeling,

color and glazes, that the potential collector will eventually come to discern, as if by second nature, the true from the false, the good from the indifferent, the old from the new.



Fig. 7 — THE DUKE OF CUMBERLAND (Whieldon)



THE OSTEND GATE AT BRUGES
Blue Staffordshire plate by an unknown
maker.

European Continental Pewter

Part I

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Introduction

AFIELD honeycombed with pitfalls, obstacles, tangles, and quasi-contradictions — such is the foothold afforded anyone essaying the task of discriminating absolutely between the types of pewter wares produced in the various countries of Europe. Indeed, the subject of Continental pewter types is so vast as, by its very immensity, to chill all but the most enthusiastic. Such, one feels, must be the explanation of the fact that, up to now, hardly a material word has been written on the subject, in the English tongue.

This amazing fact is nevertheless distressing, for the reasons that a great proportion of the pewter which one sees for sale in antique shops is European; and that it is an extremely rare occurrence to find a collection of pewter wherein there are no European pieces; and, further, that some of the most beautiful types known to collectors are to be found nowhere except in European ware. The collector who consistently restricts his collection so as entirely to exclude European pieces, does so, in my opinion, at far too great a sacrifice of much that is singularly beautiful and interesting.

But, returning to the difficulties referred to in my opening remarks: one of the chief obstacles, as one takes a first step across the threshold of the subject, is that of segregating the types of different countries. There is a natural overlapping, inevitable to close geographical relations. In order that this may be the more evident, I have included here a rough pre-1914 sketch-map (Fig. 1). By way of comparison, it will be of interest to know that the total areas of the countries here under observation - Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Holland, Hungary, Italy, Scandinavia, and Switzerland — amount to but 1,125,400 square miles, as opposed to the 2,970,000 square miles in the United States of America. Yet such a variety of patterns and quantity of wares was produced within this comparatively limited territory as utterly to bewilder the imagination; and this takes no account of Russian and Spanish pewter, of which little is known at the present time.

From even a casual glance at the map, it will at once

be seen that pewter types prevalent, for example, in the northern part of Switzerland must have worked across the frontier into southern Germany, and vice versa; other types from northeastern France into Belgium; from eastern France into Germany; from southeastern France into Switzerland and Italy; from Holland into Germany; and vice versa in each instance. Some types of Dutch and Belgian pewter seem to offer the most difficult knot of all to untie.

Add to all this the fact that Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Holland, Hungary, Italy, Scandinavia, Switzerland, and so on, had each its own rules and its own organizations, and that, in every large town in each country, there were pewterers whose numbers varied according to the importance of the place as a pewtering centre; and the utter futility of attempting here to tackle the whole subject in anything like the detail it merits, will be, at once, appreciated.

Many learned works on the pewter of various countries are already available, and others are in course of compila-



tion or of publication; but these works on individual countries, though written by the ablest authorities on the subject, and though replete with local knowledge, are all in the native tongue, and hence — quite apart from the high cost of acquiring them all — they are, except for the multilinguist, as inaccessible as if they had not been written.

^{*}This is the first of a series of articles on Continental European pewter which Mr. Cotterell, assisted by other notable experts, is preparing for Antiques. The completed work promises to be one of the most important and valuable contributions to the literature of collecting which has appeared. Its eventual publication in book form — amplified very considerably — is promised.— The Editor.

It was to bridge this hiatus in our knowledge that I was urged to take up the subject in its present form.

Consideration of the possibility of one day tackling the subject was not new to me; but, hitherto, the task had been dismissed, if not as impossible, certainly as requiring far more time than I had to give; yet here was a direct call which I felt I could not allow to go unanswered. Spurred on in the idea by my friend Mr. Robert M. Vetter of Amsterdam, himself a great and discerning authority on the subject, and, throughout, aided and assisted by him to such an extent that I can never adequately express my thanks, I responded to the call. These notes, which I trust in part supply the need, are the result.

Of the value, the erudition, and the volume of Mr. Vetter's selfless contributions to this work, I cannot speak too highly. By every law of right, his name should accompany my own as author; but, as he prefers it otherwise, my sole redress lies in the dedication of these notes to him and to Mrs. Vetter, to whom - as also to Mr. P. J. Ducro of Amsterdam - I am immeasurably indebted for much of the fine photographic work for the illustrations which adorn these pages. All the accompanying marks, Figures 2-15, are the photographic work of the latter. Many of them were taken under most difficult conditions from the inner sides of the bottoms of flagons and similar vessels. To these, as to many others whose names appear throughout these pages, my sincere thanks are due for allowing me to reproduce their treasures and for help in many other ways.

So much by way of introduction.

THE TEST OF PEWTER MARKS

One realises that the cry will now at once go up for illustrations—and plenty of fine ones are to follow; but, before that feast is spread, it is essential that some attention be paid to the matter of mark tests, which will often be of greater help than illustrations. However, it is not my intention either to give lists of pewterers' names, or to delve into the subject of makers' marks; but to see what light may be thrown on the question of quality marks, labels, and symbols, over which various organizations exercised direct control, and which are of consequent service in enabling us, in a limited way, to obtain some knowledge of the country whence came the pieces which such marks identify.

The *labels* referred to above are in the form of labels, or cartouches, of various shapes, and bear certain words referring to the quality of the metal used. They were a guarantee of a certain standard, and, as they differed in various countries, their use for purposes of national identification is obvious.

Let us, however, first learn what clues are available as to the general interpretation of these European pewter marks. Their variety — quality marks and labels, town and city marks, makers' marks, and so on—is, at first sight,

calculated to bewilder the student; but, as Mr. Vetter so delightfully puts it:

A collector with some practical experience will, if aided by reading and by the study of other collections, acquire a certain flair, enabling him to draw rapid conclusions as to probable age and origin, especially if he keeps his eyes open, and his ears shut to the voluble assertions of the dealer. The general style of the mark, its position on the piece, and its depth will all assist him in his diagnosis.

EACH MARK HAS MEANING

The various devices appearing on individual pieces of pewter are not there for decoration; but each one has its meaning. Like English marks, the older Continental marks were very small, usually of an heraldic character, and, in design, free from ostentation; and they were couched in the language of emblems, as being of greater service to an illiterate public than words. But, from the beginning of the seventeenth century, what is known as the three-touch system, with its variants, has obtained; and it is with this system that the average collector — for whom these notes are designed — will mostly be concerned, since pewter of the earlier periods is now become so rare as to be, from the collector's point of view, virtually extinct.

ELEMENTS OF THE THREE-TOUCH SYSTEM

The three-touch system originally was made up of:

- a. The town or city arms, or other local device, indicative of place of origin.
- b. Maker's name, initials, touch or device.
- c. Quality marks, the number and variety of which will best be appreciated by a contemplation of the various organizations, guild prescriptions, and trade customs which governed their use in the several countries and towns.

Care should be taken not to confound this grouping of marks with the so-called imitation silver marks, which have been used by *Dutch* pewterers since the eighteenth century, and of which a typical illustration is given here (Fig. 2) for comparison with the varying types under the three-touch system, which we shall now consider.



Fig. 2 — Dutch Imitation Silver Mark

The X, crowned, which surmounts this device must not, of course, be considered as part of the hall mark; but the whole mark was one die and was struck with one blow. It is Dutch, the "floating" angel with trumpet being typically so.

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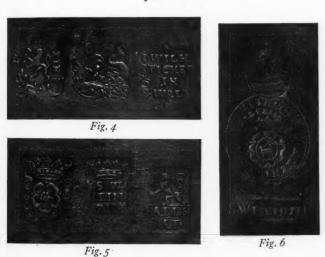


Fig. 3

This type, in its purest form, is shown in Figure 3, and is struck with three blows; i.e., three separate dies. The example is from the *inside* of a teapot of about 1750.

It is made up of three separate stamps, arranged in accordance with the space available. The *flowers* with the initials constitute the maker's touch; the *lion rampant* emerging from the waves is the *arms* of Karlsbad; and the crowned S. W. Fein Zin is the quality mark, signifying that only pure tin, obtained from the mines at Schlaggenwald in Bohemia, was used for making the vessel.

Type II.



Figures 4 and 5 (before 1750), and Figure 6 (c. 1750), show three methods of applying the three-touch system, but grouped differently from the one shown above. In all these cases the pewterer's name is written out in full. Figure 4 reveals 1. Wilh Sticker, residing at S:Walt (Schlaggenwald). The lion with the miner's tools—hammer and pick—is the arms of that town, with which the official quality label is combined. The maker's private device of Jonah and the whale is in the centre, probably punning with his Christian name. Figures 5 and 6 are self-explanatory.

Type III.



Fig. 7

In Figure 7 is shown a variant, in that the town mark is omitted, its name Augsburg being introduced at the bottom of the maker's touch, which is the middle one, with the quality mark repeated on each side. The one shown in the illustration is one of the touches of the famous Sebald Ruprecht of Augsburg, dated 1712.

Type IV.



Fig. 8

Figure 8 gives yet another variant, where the maker's touch and the town mark are omitted, the system being complied with by thrice repeated impression of the quality mark, a very superficial compliance at best! Where one mark is repeated thrice, as in this case, to the exclusion of the others, it must always be the quality mark which is retained. The touches here contain the maker's initials, S.P., which are those of an eighteenth century Frankfort pewterer.

Type V.



Fig. 9

The omission of a special quality mark is, in itself, a silent admission of second quality. Figure 9 shows such a combination, on the left being the arms of the town of Eger, in Bohemia, and on the right the second quality mark of the tall flagon and the maker's initials. A date (16-?7) is distributed over both marks, which are struck separately. The date refers to the year of establishment of the pewterer's shop.



Fig. 10

In Figure 10, the initials at the top are those of the maker, the shield on the left being the arms of Zurich, and the one on the right, apparently, those of the maker, or his touch. The whole is struck with one die. The touch is that of Hans Heinrich Boshard, a member of a well-known family of pewterers, (c. 1700).

QUALITY MARKS

Angels

Having thus briefly reviewed the system of marking, we must now turn to a short consideration of the quality

marks, of which by far the most frequent is the angel, the use of which was strictly reserved, by the most stringent regulations, for metal of the finest quality, free from lead, and carrying just sufficient copper, antimony, or bismuth to give it the requisite hardness. The angel was adopted throughout most of the European countries — Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Holland, Hungary, and Switzerland — as the sign of the very best, from the middle of the seventeenth century.

Embraced with the general term *angel* are all manner of winged female figures, whether seated, standing, flying, resting on an anchor, shield, or what-not, and carrying or holding, all sorts of attributes, such as palm branches, trumpets, swords, scales, and the like, and accompanied sometimes by small animals, deer or lambs.

It has been argued that, where three angels appear, as in Type IV, Figure 8, above, it implies that the metal is of superlatively good alloy; but this is not the case. There can be no better than the best, and the metal which bore one angel mark was every whit as good as if it had been covered with angels. The three angels, therefore, have solely to be regarded as a superficial compliance with the three-touch system.

Further, it has been found that the word *Englisch* usually appears on pieces of a style distinctly fashionable, or specially adapted for table use, as opposed to the plainer peasant or older style of wares.



Fig. II



Fig. IIa



Fig. 12

Figures 11 and 12 show the use of the expressions Englisch and Englisch espectively, both marks being from Frankfort, Germany. Figure 11 is the touch of a Frankfort pewterer named Klingling, the bell being allusive to his musical name. It is of the second half of the eighteenth century, whereas Figure 12 approximates 1780. In Figure 11a is given another illustration of the Englisch Zin mark, that of Andreas Wirz, of Zurich, of the first half of the eighteenth century.



Fig. 13

Sometimes a figure simulating an angel was used, perhaps with the idea of palming off second for first quality.

Figure 13 shows Mercury in place of an angel; but the word *Probzinn* above reveals the true meaning to the more careful observer. The date of this mark is the late eighteenth century. It is an unique mark in that it is a *very* rare instance of the word *Probzinn* on Swiss pewter, probably an attempt by the maker (Johann Widmer of Zurich) to introduce it, an attempt no doubt promptly stopped by the guild authorities.

THE USE OF "ENGLISCH"

The use of the words Engel, Engels, Englisch, Engli, Anglais, and the like, on European pewter has given rise to the misconception that pewter so marked was imported in the mass from England, which a short consideration of the facts may do much to remove.

First, it does not mean that pewter mined in England was used; though this was the case in some instances. Secondly, it is a known fact that most of the raw material of Swiss and German pewter was supplied by the tin mines of Saxony and Bohemia, whilst in Holland much of it was imported from the Straits Settlements.

It is, however, an undeniable fact that English pewter enjoyed a tremendous reputation on the Continent, not so much for the raw material employed as for the manner in which such raw material was blended and treated.

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Such terms as Engel Zin, or Engels Zin, would seem to have reference merely to the fact that it was of angel; i.e., first quality; but the words Englisch Tin (or Zin), Engli Tin, Etain Anglais, and similar phrases, have direct reference, not to the fact that English tin was used, but that the metal was treated after the English fashion; i.e., by the addition of just so much copper or antimony as would harden it, a treatment adopted very widely in later years by European craftsmen, who formerly had alloyed their tin with lead. It is to be remembered, then, that tin inscribed as Englisch, Engli, Anglais, Engel, Engels, was always entirely free from lead.

In this connection, Mr. Vetter remarks that, by comparison of his London plates with contemporary Continental plate-pewter, which, although white, is soft, he can understand the tendency to make pewter as hard and ringing as the English metal!

THE QUALITY ROSE



Fig. 14

The *rose* was also used as a quality mark, guaranteeing sometimes first, sometimes a slightly inferior quality.

Figure 14 shows a typical example, taken from a Dutch piece of second quality, with the maker's initials inserted in the base of the crown, which is quite characteristic of Holland. This touch is early eighteenth century and differs but slightly from those of the seventeenth century.

Modern Imitations

The angel, being the best quality mark, appears, of course, on most of the imitation pewter which is being put on the market in such enormous quantities today. Where the marks themselves are modern imitations, the impression is shallow and of equal depth, and hence not calculated to deceive any but the veriest tyro; but where, as is unfortunately the case, old-established firms are using their old angel irons to mark their modern reproductions, the difficulty in detection is far more subtle, and one has to rely on one's own judgment of the metal, methods of manufacture, and so on.

I hope to be able to reproduce a few of the more dangerous of these marks, when treating the subject of Continental frauds.

UNMARKED ITEMS

Again, one comes across pieces bearing no marks at all, and such pieces are by no means to be despised for that reason alone; for, if the metal is good and the piece well-wrought and of pleasing design, the presence or absence of

a mark will be a matter of secondary moment to the true connoisseur.

In order to simplify the matter, I propose to give in tabular form, a list of the more familiar quality marks, labels, and symbols, showing in what countries and for which qualities they were used. It is not suggested that the list is complete, but it embraces the better known marks and should prove of much service.

Before giving this table, however, and by way of throwing light upon it, I should like to quote a passage from Jan Wagenaar's work on *Amsterdam*, where he gives certain information concerning the regulations of the Amsterdam Pewterers' Guild. As similar regulations were laid down in other places in Holland, it will be of more than *local* interest. The following is a translation of the passage*:

XLII. Pewterers' Guild. The old rules and regulations, dated January 13, 1573, include, Tinnegieters (Pewterers) Kannemakers (Canmakers), Kannedekkers (Makers of potlids), Lepel Makers (Spoonmakers) and such people as lend pewter for hire. Further, the sellers of glass and earthenware vessels were under the jurisdiction of the Guild.

Regarding the composition of the metal used, various rules have been laid down stipulating that no other than the said proportions may be employed in this city. Power is given to the masters of the Guild, to satisfy themselves as to the adherence to these rules in the various shops.

Four sorts of pewter are allowed here, i.e., blok tin, fyn roostin, keurtin and kleine keurtin. Blok tin is the purest, without any addition whatsoever. It has to be marked with an angel. By some makers the arms of the city are added. The common fine pewter is called roostin because it must be marked with a rose. It must consist of ninety-four parts of blok tin mixed with eight parts of lead. The lowest grade of pewter must be marked with the city arms, besides which the letters K.K. must appear, meaning Kleine Keur (Small Test). It may be of lesser quality than the keurtin, but both sorts of keur tin may be used only for such wares as stills, koffee pots, beer and wine cans without spouts, syringes and enemas, funnels, inkstands, spoons, and ornamental work. Every pewterer may add his own mark provided same is known to the Guildmasters.

From the above it will be seen that, if a pewterer, in addition to the quality mark of the *angel*, struck his own private touch and the city arms too, the three-touch system was accomplished.

The above simple rules were flagrantly broken in the late eighteenth century, so much so that Mr. Vetter informs me that he has seen a piece marked with an *angel* and K.K., or *best* and *worst* qualities in one piece! Needless to say; it was in reality K.K.

Also, one finds such marks as an angel and a rose on the same piece in the eighteenth century, which may point to an intermediate quality. This combination, which is Dutch, is well shown in Figure 15, which I am able to give through the courtesy of M. C. Brandes, Esq., of Amsterdam.



Fig. I

^{*}Amsterdam, 1766 edition, by Isaak Tirion, Tome IX, p. 204.

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*Amsterdam is inserted not as being unique, but as being typical of the custom in vogue in many of the continental pewtering centres, where the town Arms were very often used to designate a particular quality.

†Vermischtes Zinn has the same meaning as Compo and Compos; i. e., "Mixed Tin." The former had to be stamped on Austrian wares made from scrap pewter, in conformity with a regulation of 1770, which also prescribes Schlakenwaldter Fein Zinn for wares made from new block tin, which must be absolutely free from lead.

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Arms of a city, accompanied by a maker's private touch may be read as indicative of second quality pewter, or Probzinn.

It is probable that the angel, as a quality mark, originated in Holland. It was used in a limited way, on French pewter.

An anchor flanked by palm branches may mean Feinzinn.

The miner's tools, a crossed hammer and pick, appear in Saxon and Bohemian marks very frequently, but have no reference to quality.

A lion with two tails, working the rock with hammer and pick, is the arms of Schlaggenwald, Bohemia.

A deer, or stag, beside the angel is found in Frankfort touches.

It is not definitely known yet whether, in early times, the city arms or quality marks were impressed by a guild official — as a hall mark — or not. It is, however, certain that, in the majority of cases, the master himself saw to the marking of all his pewter. It would seem from old guild and government regulations that, in early times, hall marking was customary; but it is obvious that, with the expansion of the trade, such a custom was bound to disappear and that the guildmasters would have to content themselves with making occasional surprise visits of inspection.

To Jorgen Olrik, Esq., Managing Inspector of the Dansk Folke-Museum at Copenhagen, Denmark, I am indebted for the following and much further information concerning Danish pewter and its markings, most of which he has courteously permitted me to cull from his Gammelt Tintoj, published in Tidsskrift For Industri, Copenhagen, 1906, and for several fine photographs, many of them especially taken to illustrate my future notes on Danish pewter.

The foundation of the first Danish pewterers' guilds cannot be easily traced, but there is a well-known Charter of King Kristian V, which, in 1685, apparently confirms existing guild regulations.

These regulations would seem to have been adhered to fairly closely until the time of the pewter decline (c. 1800), and the marking done in accordance therewith permits of an easy distinction between the various qualities and from the types of other nations.

The regulations lay down the following, with regard to marking:

The standards of quality are to be as follows:

1. Engelsk tin (English tin) has to be marked with an angel in addition to a separate second touch of a crowned rose bearing the town arms on the rose. The second touch must bear also the name or initials of the maker and the year of his admission to membership of the guild; i.e., leave to start in business on his own account. If he was a member already in 1685, this date was to be added.

This combination is shown in Figure 16, where the quality mark of - are on the rose the angel, the arms of Copenhagen (three pinnacles) and the maker's initials E.L.B., and the date of his admission all appear.

2. Kron tin (crown tin), the second quality mark. This consists of the town arms surmounted by a shamrock or clover leaf, in which latter the name or initials of the maker were to appear, with the date also in the mark. Two differing examples of this type of quality mark are shown in Figures 17 and 18.

In the former the arms are again those of Copenhagen, whilst in the latter they are those of the town of Odense (the double lily).





Fig. 16





3. Mang (g)ods (mixed good) was the name of the third quality, and was to be marked twice with the maker's touch bearing his name. Unfortunately, owing to its rarity, I am unable to give an illustration of this form of marking.

Mr. Olrik says that Danish labels bearing such indication of quality are rarely found.

These simple rules, confirmed in 1685 by King Kristian, were found sufficient and practicable, and were followed with singular fidelity as compared with other countries, where a certain degree of anarchy would seem to have obtained from time to time.

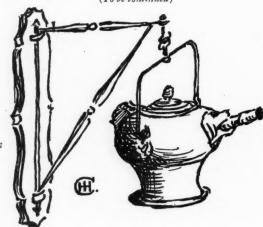
Krontin agrees roughly with Nuremberg probzinn and is slightly below the standard of Dutch keurtin.

In Figure 19 is given a permissible form of compromise for Engelsk tin, where there is not sufficient space to admit of both the marks as shown in Figure 16.



It is hoped that the foregoing remarks may have the desirable effect of simplifying the reading of the preceding table.

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Concerning Some Empire Sofas

By THE EDITOR

F the various types of furniture produced in conformity with the dictates of the so-called American Empire style, the sofa, today, seems to be the most as a cabinetmaker. In the untrammeled nineteenth cen-

generally available. There is reason for this. Relatively speaking, the sofa is the least cumbersome of Empire pieces; yet its proportions permit expression of such grandiosities of line and decoration as are essential to the style, without producing that aspect of pompous clumsiness which too frequently occurs in contemporary chairs, sideboards, beds, tables, dressers, and the like. Hence the Empire sofa accommodates itself quite placidly to the requirements of latter-day home-furnishing, and exhibits agreeable compatibility with less effulgent pieces of domestic Chippendale and Sheraton.

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Fig. 1 - French Empire Couch (1800-1810) In mahogany and gilt bronze. Upholstered in damask in appropriate classic style. A typical example.
From the Franklin K. Webber collection.

There are, however, greater variations in quality among American Empire sofas than among sofas of earlier vintages. During the eighteenth century, almost no one attempted to design and produce furniture for public con-

tury - due in part to the elimination of various longstanding restrictions upon the trades, in part to the growth of quantity manufacturing - any person possessed of ingenuity and taste sufficient for constructing a hencoop might undertake home outfitting for his free and enlightened fellow citizens.

Eighteenth century furniture, therefore — however simple it may be - almost invariably bears the stamp of trained craftsmanship; whereas nineteenth century furniture is liable to betray the hand of the tasteless and vulgar tyro.

And now a few words as to what Empire furniture really is, and whence came the elements of its style. First, a glance at a dictionary of dates. It was on July 14, 1789,



Fig. 2 — CONTINENTAL EMPIRE SOFA (1800-1810)

Painted black with carving in gilded wood. Upholstered in red damask, which, though not precisely of the period, is appropriate. A massive and striking piece, of a type from which, at long range, American examples were derived. The piece, while perhaps French, has certain Italian implications. From the Franklin K. Webber collection.

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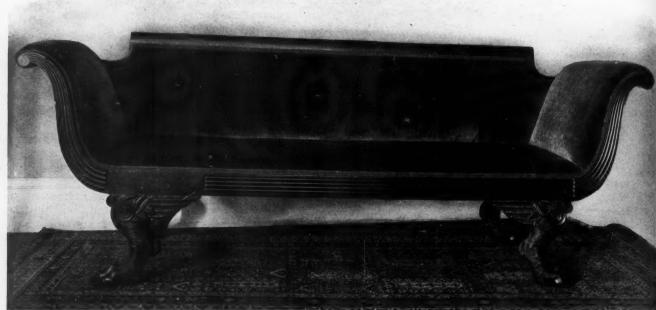


Fig. 3 — EMPIRE SOFA (1810–1820)

The upper part of this sofa, with its plain reeding, approximates the excellence of Duncan Phyfe, though the reeding itself seems to lack Phyfe's delicacy. The simplification of the feet, very similar to one of Phyfe's designs, gives to these supports a somewhat denuded aspect, without compensating appropriateness.

Owned by P. B. Rolfe.

that a Paris mob attacked the Bastille, destroyed that unsavory fortress, and, having decapitated the chief officers of the establishment, placed their heads on long poles, by way of demonstrating the effectiveness of popular government. Thus began the French Revolution. Three years later, in September 1792, the French Republic was proclaimed.

Back of this Revolution, as back of every great political upheaval, had worked a variety of propelling circumstances; but, preponderant among them, as usual, is discoverable the greed of poverty arrayed against the selfishness of possession. And, as usual, the theorists of the ascendant group visioned in their success the dawn of a new era of human happiness and contentment.

The Revolution, it will be remembered, occurred at a time when art and learning were still experiencing progressive thrills occasioned by fresh archaeological discoveries in the soil of Greece and of Italy. It was natural, therefore, that the laureates of the new régime should extol their shirt-tail compatriots - the sans culottes glorious reincarnations of the sternly virtuous folk of early Sparta and republican Rome. Meanwhile the arbiters of style, instead of being satisfied to draw inspiration for their own inventions from the mere perfume of the past, insisted upon establishing, in so far as possible, the visible actuality of that Roma in Gallia re-condita which was supposed to have emerged from the blood-shot fires of the Revolution. It was this movement which gave us the so-called Directoire style — delightful because fluid, uncertain, transitional—standing with reluctant feet between Louis XVI and Napoleon, and yearning a little for each.

The art of the Republic did not lack official sanctions, but it did lack official leading strings; and before it could

formulate both a complete philosophy and a technique, the Republic itself had passed. The French people, who for a decade had play-acted at being simple burghers in a primitively modest state, now found themselves, overnight, inflated to the calibre of strutting citizens in a farflung empire. It was necessary to re-costume for the part.

Napoleon was declared Emperor, May 18, 1804. In that same year, Denon's great work detailing the antiquities of Egypt was published.

The task of the Emperor's artistic entourage was to equip him with an imperial background. Ready at hand were the raw materials for the enterprise, pieced together in a multitude of copperplate engravings which pictured the discoveries of those patient archaeologists who, for half a century past, had been delving in all those Mediterranean lands where the widespread wings of the Roman eagles had once cast their ominous shadow. Thrones and sarcophagi, pagan altars and ship-hung rostra, palaces and tombs, wine cups and cinerary urns, domestic wall decorations and gaudy mummy cases, marbles from Greece, ivories from Asia Minor and the cunning workshops of Alexandria, bronze implements unearthed from the Vesuvian ash heaps of Pompeii — all these furnished motives for the forms and decorations of the Napoleonic household gear, just as the loves of ancient gods and the achievements of ancient heroes supplied the stuff which painters wove into the vast dreariness of their symbolic pictures. Under such circumstances — not as the result of gradual evolution, but in self-conscious imitation and adoption of ancient models - French Empire furniture came into being. Its fabric was, prevailingly, highly figured mahogany, ebonyor an ebonized substitute - rosewood, and, for appliquéd ue,

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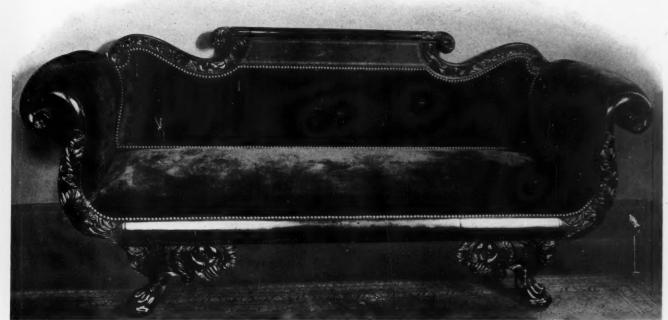


Fig. 4— EMPIRE SOFA (1815–1820)

An excellent example of the type, with a good distribution of curves and straight lines and with the tendency to a surfeit of carving tempered by a liberal spread of plain surface.

Owned by Miss Mary C. Pefferman.

trimmings, terminals and supports, gilded bronze. Chairs tended to be throne-like or senatorially grandiose. Case pieces stood like ancient monuments, with overhanging pediments and columned or pilastered fronts. The lines of sofas were long and flowing, after the manner of those couches whereon the ancients had been wont to recline; those parts which the well-corseted eighteenth century had treated as arm rests being now viewed as backs. Supports were in the form of an animal's foot—usually the paw of a lion.

So much, then, for the furniture of imperial France. Inevitably it affected the household styles of other nations, though the fact must be recognized that, half a century before the French David and his compatriots, Fontaine and Percier, produced their designs, the Brothers Adam, in England, had devised a strictly classic mode that needed only a Napoleon to make it imperial.

Duncan Phyfe, in his early New York period — with his reeded members, his lyre backs and arms, his lion heads and paws, his chairs with wolf-like forelegs, his cornucopias, swags, and fasces—typified American capitulation to the more sprightly aspects of Adam classicism. Not until after the war of 1812, when the French Empire was beginning to totter, did the more ponderous Napoleonic style attain material influence here. And even then it was curiously transformed; in some respects simplified, in some, vulgarized; for what it discarded in richness it endeavored to retrieve in bulk, while it often disguised its incapacity for acquiring exquisiteness of detail under a wealth of generalized flamboyancy.

To a nation like ours, never keenly concerned with classic analogies, the symbolism of the French types meant

little or nothing. Bronze ornaments were not readily obtainable and they were never inexpensive. America, further, was on the verge of producing quantitatively for the masses, and of developing, for the purpose, ingenuity in supplanting the virtues of fine workmanship with commercially sufficient semblances.

In the best of American Empire furniture, the woodcarver does his best to supply decorative substitutes for the art of the bronze caster. Metal work occurs; but it is neither frequent nor elaborate.

Typical of the Empire sofas of France is the couch, or day bed, shown in Figure 1, from the Franklin K. Webber collection. It is of mahogany and bronze with a satin damask cover, figured with a huge anthemion ornament. Less completely characteristic, because carved in wood, painted black and gilded, is the really impressive Continental sofa, from the same collection, shown in Figure 2.

This latter offers an easier transition to the tentative American type (Fig. 3), showing inits general form and in the reeding of its upper members those English late Sheraton or Adam influences which betray themselves in the work of Duncan Phyfe. Had the legs here, as might naturally be the case, been splayed and reeded, the sofa would be safely classified as late Sheraton. Its winged lion feet, however, though tentative, only partly developed, and not completely in harmony with the frame which they support, bespeak the Empire.

The quality of an American Empire sofa is determined very largely by the skill with which its variously curving lines are harmonized in flow, the character of the wood used, and the relative excellence of the carving. From the standpoint of these considerations, the sofa in Figure 4, owned by Miss Mary Pefferman of Washington, D. C.,



Fig. 5 — EMPIRE SOFA (1815-1820)

Unusually elaborate in its carving, whose forms are richly designed and exceptionally well modeled. The cover material is of later date than the sofa. Furniture of this type was frequently, if not usually, covered in haircloth, whose plain matte surface imparted lustre to the surrounding woodwork and served as a foil for the figured carving.

Owned by Mrs. Genevieve C. Hall.

must be looked upon as an excellent example. The lines are graceful, but not unduly relaxed, the carving is vigorous — almost brilliant — in execution, the wood is richtoned mahogany.

Less compact in outline and less closely knit in structure, but, nevertheless, a piece of considerable distinction, is an Empire sofa in the collection of Mrs. G. C. Hall of Buffalo, New York. It dates probably from the second decade of the nineteenth century. Here the horn-of-plenty, always a favorite device of the period, constitutes the motive for the scrolled arms and the terminal volutes of the back; it appears embryonically even on the lion's-paw legs.

An unusual, though by no means unique feature of this sofa is the bold spread eagle, whose broad wings give both form and substance to the cresting of the back. A similar use of a spreadeagle on a sofa back is illustrated in *Colonial Furniture in America*;* but it is by far the less successful of the two.

American Empire sofas, as a class, fairly undulate with scrolls, whose variety of treatment indicates a good deal of patient ingenuity on the part of their designers. Carving — often heavy carving — was likewise an important deco-

rative consideration. Though the long curve of the arms lent itself readily to the horn-of-plenty treatment, a dolphin with closely curved tail would do as well, or, revising the direction of one's thought, a swan's neck and head

might supplant the dolphin's terminal twist.

Sometimes a simple reeding only is employed. Sometimes, again, the wood surface remains unadorned save for the figure of its veneer.

In the same degree as these details were neglected or debased, the results were indifferent or disastrous. With the advent of the riotious use of veneers in the thirties, and thereafter for many years, the forms which had once been swan necks, cornucopias, dolphins, and winged feet of lions were approximated in coarsely outlined, flatly veneered silhouette, in which even so much as a suggestion of the original motive is recognizable only by the most discerning eye. The commercial instinct, when rampant, knows no bounds. The vulgarity of the designs for which it became responsible was sometimes intensified by a kind of scratch carving enlivened with punch work and set aglitter with French polish. Thus, overloaded with cheap gimcrackery and meretricious

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— only to be replaced by something no better, if as good.



Fig. 6 — LATE EMPIRE SOFA (Detail)
An attempt to produce an elaborate effect by cheap means. Obviously a factory product. The crude shadows of what once were dolphins, cornucopias, lion's paws, and rich foliation are apparent.

Unknown ownership.

^{*}Luke V. Lockwood, Colonial Furniture in America, New York, 1921, Vol. II,



A COUNCIL OF MINISTERS (c. 1750)

A panel from the home of the Reverend John Lowell, of Newburyport, now at Elmwood, Cambridge.

A Council of Ministers

By Louise Karr

THE quaint photograph here reproduced derives its chief interest from the circumstances that the original was painted as an over-mantel panel for his own study, at the order of the Reverend John Lowell, of Newburyport, great-grandfather of James Russell Lowell, some time in the middle of the eighteenth century; and that, at the order of Mr. Lowell himself, some time in the middle of the nineteenth century, the painting was transferred to its present position in the study at Elmwood, the beautiful colonial house where the author and diplomat was born, and where he passed the greater part of his life.

Accordingly the painting possesses some dignity of age
— as we reckon age in our country — as well as a greater
dignity of association. It has looked down upon gatherings — intimate or formal — of men and women, the most
distinguished in the worlds of letters and society in our
own land, and upon all noteworthy visitors from beyond
the seas during the period when Mr. Lowell was an out-

standing figure in our national life. Today it does not appear out of place in the book-lined room. For all its queerness, it has a curious impressiveness.

The Reverend John Lowell began his pastorate in Newburyport in 1726, at the age of twenty-two years. He lived in the town until his death, in 1767. He was a learned man, widely beloved and, to judge from the chronicles, was wonderfully successful in harmonizing the innumerable diverse elements, theological and personal, that seethed and whirled in this interesting locality of the Newburys. Sara Anna Emery, in her vivacious *Reminiscences**, says of him, in speaking of this very picture:

"He (Mr. Lowell) was a lover of all good men, though of different denominations, and much given to hospitality."

He would seem to have added to this geniality and kindliness an independence in regard to his own affairs and an outspoken expression of his views in any matter that he considered important. The blending of these char-

^{*}Reminiscences of a Nonagenarian, Newburyport, Mass., 1896, p. 205.

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acteristics may be inferred from the Latin inscription that runs around the alcove in the painting, and reads thus, In necessariis, unitas; in non-necessariis, libertas; in utrisque, charitas.

One thinks he must have suggested the subject of the panel to the painter, who was, it seems, a parishioner. There may be some symbolical intent in the left-hand division, which shows three mountains, three skiffs sailing past, and two groups of swans, three in each group. The meaning here is mysterious, but the figures around the table in the other half of the picture are unmistakable. They are seven ministers engaged in pleasant discussion concerning we know not what.

The picture has often been described, but in each case differently. Mrs. Emery, in the book already quoted, sees on the table a punch-bowl, for which we look in vain. George Lunt, in his Old New England Traits saw before each clergyman "a foaming mug of ale, and each (was) supplied with a tobacco pipe from which rolled volumes of narcotic fumes". We discover neither the foaming mugs, nor the narcotic fumes.

Further, James Russell Lowell himself, in one of his letters, alludes to the painting and speaks deprecatingly of the pots, which do not at all show in the photograph. This letter, written to Mr. Lowell's friend, C. F. Briggs, of New York, is dated Elmwood, January 23, 1850, and is, in part, as follows*:

MY DEAR FRIEND:

I have never thanked you for your gift of a box of cigars. I am smoking one of them at this very moment. I know not in what light to regard them other than as a kind of parishioner's gift to the Rev. Mr. Wilbur, though there may be a covert satire in throwing that gentleman's weakness into his very teeth.† My great-grandfather, who was minister at Newbury, and who, being very much of a gentleman and scholar, held out against Whitefield and his extravagances, used to take (I have no doubt) the grocer's share of his salary in tobacco. He was a terrible smoker, and there is still extant in the house he lived in in Newbury, a painted panel, representing a meeting of the neighboring clergy, each with his pipe — and his pot.

I have a great respect for this excellent man's memory, strengthened by his note-books and by his portrait in gown, wig and bands, painted (Alas!) by one of his parishioners..."

Possibly these "pots" may have been painted out when

the panel was moved to Elmwood.* Still, the painting was very dark for many years, and even now that it has been cleaned, its component parts are not readily deciphered. A description in the *Newburyport Herald*, dated 1846, agrees with my own observations, made under the photographer's strong light, by the kind permission of Mrs. A Kingsley Porter†. I saw in an alcove a fringed velvet cloth on a table; a manuscript before the clergyman at the head, an inkstand with several quill pens standing upright, a Bible, open and also upright, held so by some means not indicated. One of the assembled clergymen is pointing to the Bible. I saw also on the table a candle, a lot of churchwarden pipes, and a shallow dish for tobacco. I noted wigs, gowns and bands, and, likewise, the circumstance that the ministers sat on frail, slat-backed chairs.

The alcove occupies about half the panel. It is fronted by an arch, on which appears the inscription before mentioned, and separated from the other half, the scene of the mountains, skiffs and swans, by a column, beyond which appears a jagged wall. The perspective is so strange that we can not tell whether the table is supposed to be within the room, or to be coming out to meet us al fresco; but the Corinthian columns and the arch with its scrolls and inscription are well painted; so, too, are the mountains and clouds of the other half of the panel.

We are able to place the date of the panel's removal to Elmwood, by a reference in Currier's *Ould Newberry*‡. After quoting the *Newburyport Herald's* description of the painting in 1846, a note is added, as follows:

Some years after the publication of this communication, the Rev. Thomas Higginson, then a resident of Newburyport, bought this curious old panel for James Russell Lowell and . . . had it carefully removed and sent to Cambridge.

Thomas Higginson lived in Newporyport from 1847 until 1852. The fact that he attended to the details connected with the removal of the painting, being "then a resident of Newburyport", sets the year of transfer as 1852, or within one of the six preceding years.

¹⁰uld Newberry, 1896, p. 450.



^{*}Letters of James Russell Lowell, Edited by Professor Norton, Vol. I, p. 70. †The said Mr. Wilbur is a character in Bigelow Papers.

^{*}Examination of the photograph discloses a slight streaking of the table cloth, that may imply an overpainting calculated to obliterate the sinful sight of a parson in close converse with a mug of beer.

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†Elmwood has recently come into ownership of A. Kingsley Porter, Professor of History of Art, Harvard University.

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Fig. 1—An Elaborate Floral Rug
In contrast to animal motives, floral hooked rugs of some antiquity incline to be more elaborate and less symmetrical than those worked over stamped patterns.

Owned by the author.

Distinguishing Good Hooked Rugs

By ELIZABETH WAUGH*

NLY educated discrimination is able to select antiquities unerringly, and upon this discrimination depends not merely the worth but also the beauty of any collection. The collector of textiles, however, has an easier task than the connoisseur of glass, for example, where endless subtleties arise to confuse even the most expert. By the same token, the collector of hooked rugs has an easier task than the collector of old brocades, for he has not only design and the weave of the fabric to aid him, but also the character of the hooking and the important fact that these rugs were made at a comparatively recent date and in a restricted territory. But, on the other hand, he may be, on this very account, the more easily

confused, since, even within our own time, hooked rugs have been made which are sold today as "antiques".

VALUE AND INDIVIDUALITY

The real value in hooked rugs lies in their being an original expression of an artistic impulse. Indeed, so very free is the medium of their fabrication, and so unconventional, in most cases, are their designs, that these rugs may be looked upon as constituting a true American folk art. The collector, therefore, who buys a rug, even of apparent age, which has been made over a commercial pattern, possesses an object of relatively inferior worth.

JUDGING PATTERNS BY STYLE

It would be impossible, in the space of this article, to give anything approaching comprehensive notice to the designs which are used in stamped patterns, but the fact that these recur again and again wherever hooked rugs are encountered, should suffice to inform the reasonably careful observer as to the mechanical nature of their primal source.

One frequently repeated pattern in the stamped category represents a stag with head thrown back against a landscape ground and bordered by very set-looking scrolls and roses. This design is seen in all colors. Among the more attractive rugs of similar mechanical type is one which depicts a little dog, apparently a rather poor specimen of King Charles spaniel, lying on a checkered cushion. The favored colors for this rug are cinnamon brown for the dog,

^{*}This brief article is derived from part of the material which the author has utilized in a new book entitled Hooked Rugs, presently to be published by the Century Company. Mrs. Waugh has studied her subject with enthusiastic zeal both at home and abroad. To her is due the recognition of similarity between the design of the rug pictured in Figure 2 and certain Druidical patterns displayed in the Dublin Museum. Whatever the source of its decoration, the rug in question gives evidence of an antiquity considerably beyond that of the generality of its kind. Most hooked rugs, it should be remembered, no matter how primitive in conception and how battered with wear and tear, bear in their patterns the unmistakable evidence of mid-Victorian and late Victorian notions of design. While such rugs are deserving of the interest of students, the enthusiasm of collectors, and the judicious claims of decorators, and while they constitute, as Mrs. Waugh says, a specific American folk art, nothing is to be gained by crediting to them, either as individual specimens or as a type of craftsmanship, an antiquity which they do not deserve. The earliest dated homemade carpets of which we have knowledge are Mrs. Blair's small rug of 1831 published in Antiques for July, 1926 and the Caswell carpet of 1835, published in Antiques for June, 1926. Both of these specimens are embroidered, not hooked, in the accepted sense of the latter term; and the character of the designs shows little temporal relationship to that of any hooked rug thus far produced for study.—
The Editor.

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Fig. 2—REALLY OLD FOR A HOOKED RUG

There is a fairly well substantiated tradition of a century's age for this rug. The piece has undergone some repair, but the original base material is linen and the filling is hand-spun wool. Dyes are root dyes showing a predominance of earth tones, dull reds, and tawny browns. The motif is interesting in its similarity to certain old Gaelic designs of Druidical origin. Only traditional or race memory could account for its appearance in new world handicraft. The rug was made in Canada.

Owned by Mrs. William Whitman, Jr.

and red and white squares for the cushion. This rug has often a very quaint appearance, and I have seen the type fetch a high price at important auctions. As much cannot be said, however, for the very usual horse's head peering through a horseshoe. In this pattern, the horse's head is always very bold and hard; two sprays of coarse green leaves are crossed under it. Various colors are used, but the most favored tones for the horse's head are white and gray. In floral patterns, hard, mechanical scrolls are an almost certain indication of the stamped-pattern rug.

When one is in doubt concerning the originality of a design, a simple test is to observe whether or not both ends of the design are exactly symmetrical. If they are, the pattern is most probably a mechanical one.

NATIONALITY AFFECTS PATTERN

Really old hooked rugs of original design will usually manifest themselves by their artistic merit. Strange primitive animals executed somewhat after the manner of Matisse, yet possessing a virility of their own, occur, and flowers the hues of which rival those of Cezanne. Indeed, a strange mixture of naïveté and sophistication seems to characterize these designs. One can plainly see the sophisticated racial memories appearing in an unsophisticated form, the work of civilized beings living remotely.

Nationality, also, plays an important part in the motifs employed. Extremely elaborate floral wreaths are seen only in the best and oldest specimens. The French settlers made every variety of elaborate wreath, showing lilies,

roses, ferns, pansies, and harebellsindeed, all the oldfashioned garden flowers. These flowers are intertwined with leaf sprays and are examples of beautiful and almost sophisticated design. Naturally, the va-rieties of homedesigned flowerpot motifs, bouquetmedallions, and flower sprays are too numerous to describe. In certain localities special patterns seem to be characteristic of the community, and the same motifs appear in many variations;

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but each rug differs from its fellows, and all have the charm of the maker's expressed individuality. The French settlers raised the patterns of their rugs against the background a practice originated by them — and most rugs showing raised floral designs are relatively old and valuable.

French Acadian floral designs often show brighter colors than are usually encountered in other antique hooked rugs. I have seen specimens which, for some reason, had been put away without being used; their colors had become set and they emerged, after seventy-five years, glowing and even crude in hue. Such rugs seem never to fade in the least, no matter to what use they are put. I have seen them spread on the snow in the sun for two weeks at a time without the slightest change in color taking place.

MATERIAL AN INDEX OF AGE

Materials are of special value in determining the age of

Virgin wool, spun into coarse yarn on a spinning wheel, and strips of hand-woven cloth formed the filling of the earliest rugs. Rugs made of these materials have a heavy appearance and deep pile, while the color is usually soft and somewhat sombre, due to the presence of root dyes. They sometimes appear almost coarse, because the loosely woven homespun did not permit the worker to cut her strips narrow and hook them as closely as she was able to to do later with machine-made materials. In certain fine old

specimens, the homespun filling has been clipped with sharp scissors; this gives the rug an unusually luxurious pile and enriches the color quality.

Even the elaborate floral rugs of the French settlements in Canada were made solely of hand-spun woolen yarn. This gave their surface a velvet-like quality which greatly enhanced the effect of their very ornate designs. These rugs appear perfectly at home in the most palatial surroundings and, seeing them there, one finds it difficult to

> realize that they were made entirely of yarn spun by a kitchen fireside on a handwheel.

LINEN BEFORE BURLAP

The oldest rugs very best "points" sign of age.

The linen ground, however, was very early superseded by burlap or sacking, the ground still

were hooked through a rough, hand-spun, handwoven linen base. The presence of this linen is one of the a hooked rug can have, since it is an almost infallible

in common use. Ravelled burlap, by the way, dyed and twisted, is frequently encountered as filling in Canadian rugs. It wears well, but is always ugly and appears only

Household spinning and weaving, of course, continued much longer in some parts of this continent than in others. In fact, in some isolated districts, these homely arts are practiced today. In some parts of the South, and in the back country of Maine and Vermont, we still see wool for socks and sweaters being spun on a wheel; and the practice is even more common in Canada. This fact must be borne in mind when calculating the age of a hooked rug from its materials. Textiles were imported into the American Colonies from a very early date. Consequently, a rug native to a prosperous part of New England, even if it is made of power-loomed cloth, may easily antedate a rug of spinning wheel wool which has come from Canada. We have, in fact, many very lovely and primitive-looking rugs from New England, wrought entirely of calico and millwoven materials. In general, however, it may be said that the presence of hand-spun materials in a rug of good design is usually an excellent guarantee of age, especially if the old dyes, too, are found.

in comparatively modern rugs of indifferent quality.

LABRADOR RUGS

Fine hooking is characteristic of good antique rugs except, as has been noted, where the nature of the filling



Fig. 3 — A TYPICAL ANIMAL RUG

This hooded beast may be readily distinguished from his prototypes of the stamped variety. Whether or not the idea in this rug and in that of the preceding figure was inspired by glimpses of rugs worked on stamped designs, the fulfilment in each case is peculiarly the worker's own. In the example here shown a naïve individuality is specially apparent. Courtesy of the American Art Galleries

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made such a result impossible to achieve. It is not in itself, however, a sure sign of age; some very finely hooked rugs are being made today, among them those produced at Dr. Grenfell's mission by natives of Labrador. These people are pathetically poor; they have very little working material, so they cut their precious rags into very narrow strips and hook them close together, making a thin rug of very fine quality. It should be said here that upon the closeness of its hooking much of the durability of a rug depends.

EFFECTS OF COLOR

Part of the quality and color which distinguish the old hooked rug and make it the admiration of artists is due to the fine surface imparted to it by time. Even a coarse rug, after a century's wear, is likely to be beautiful; it has been polished, so to speak, by the passing of many feet. The old surfaces are easily recognized and are a certain sign of antiquity. In the case of clipped rugs, where the loops have been cut with scissors, the surface is soft and velvety when it leaves the maker's hands, but, toned by age, this softness is very greatly enhanced. Wear imparts a similar appearance to the unclipped rug, since the loops are cut by the passing of feet, much as if scissors had been used. New rugs with unclipped loops have a bumpy appearance, but, with time, they take on a tilelike smoothness, impossible to imitate. Examples of modern hooking are easily come upon, and it is very instructive to compare the new surface with an old one.

Beyond the considerations of design, materials, and surface which we have mentioned, there is also a general tonality by which antique rugs may usually be recognized. The really old hooked rug is subdued in tone, with occasional bits of jewel-like color, the whole aspect being one of an indescribable, soft richness of coloring. Its rather sombre appearance is imparted by the root dyes with which our grandmothers dyed their homespun materials.

The reds, however, will be found to be more brilliant than any of the other bright colors used; for red was usually obtained from cochineal or pokeberry juice, whose dyes are not in the least degree fugitive to light. Consequently rather brilliant scarlets are found in rugs of the very earliest as well as of later periods. Next to the reds, certain metallic greens retain the highest chroma. These greens always add much to the glory of a color scheme, as they have an almost turquoise cast and give a gem-like sparkle to the rugs in which they appear.

Faint yellow greens are also prevalent, but these are always very subdued and of the same value as the surrounding soft grays and beaver-browns. Floral wreaths and medallions are usually imposed upon these neutral

shades, which, again, constitute most of the groundwork and scrolls. Dead black never appears. Even where black was intended, the color will have faded to very dark brown or greenish blue.

Blue itself is rare, and, when found, adds greatly to the value of a rug. In virtually every instance the blue which has survived is indigo. This dye is one of the very few which our ancestors bought. It was highly prized, and, in addition to its use in rugs and clothing, the varn for the old draft quilts was dyed with it. The darkest hues of which this dye is capable are rarely seen in hooked rugs, the shade which we call "navy blue" being almost never found. A middle blue, or what might be called a very deep sky-blue, is the form in which all indigo usually appears. This is perhaps because the filling for rugs was cut from clothing which, from considerations of economy, had been less deeply dyed than yarn intended for weaving. In any case, the result is a far more pleasing color for decorative use than the blue-black used in the

average woven quilt. On rare occasions one finds hooked rugs with entire backgrounds wrought of indigo-dyed materials. Some of the most beautiful color-schemes are achieved when indigo is combined with the deep Tyrian purple which was made from pokeberries.

A little acquaintance with the colors, as they appear in the very subdued backgrounds of the old hooked rugs, will give the collector an appreciation of correct tonality, and will prove perhaps the most valuable of all aids in determining age and quality. But with rugs, as with other items of handicraft, one may hardly expect to acquire connoisseurship from books. Reading can never obviate the necessity for developing a well practiced eye.



Fig. 4-A FAMILY AFFAIR

A curious large rug, 10' 3" by 9' 3", depicting a family picnic. Everybody save father, who is quietly planted in the lower left hand corner, seems to be busy. Two boys bring wood for the fire; another roosts in a branch perilously extending over the spread feast; the daughter is supported on a bicycle navigated by two benevolent aunts; mother and grandmother supervise the cooking. The rug is inscribed *The Old Home Woods* and bears, likewise, along one side three moral sentiments each evidently worked by one of the boys pictured in the rug; for one sentiment is signed Roy 20, another Guy 10, the third Reggy 17. Probably every one of the family had a finger in this rug as well as in the picnic itself. Primitive as the specimen of hooking seems, the costumes of the gay party and the presence of a bicycle indicate a date somewhere in the eighteen eighties. Courtesy of Leon David.

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London Notes

By F. C.

WHAT did I say on December first in tones of deepest irony about Grannie's antimacassars and chenille mantle scarves? Lo, January first is here; and, put your ear to the ground and you will hear us on this side mewing for things Victorian; yes, and purring when we find them! Lacquer, inset with mother-ofpearl, now decks the windows of the swankest London shops. Little lacy carriage parasols with dainty folding handles of yellowed ivory are being unearthed and are arousing raptures. Cardcases inlaid with abalone shell and tortoise are bringing 30/ to £2.2.0 each, to be used later for nice thin cigarette cases. Worked firescreens which once protected the lovely complexions of the ladies of 1830 from the fierce heat of their twelve-inch fireplaces, we are resurrecting with all speed, even though we have no complexions to protect, and precious little fire from which to protect them, if we had.

For many of the early Victorian things, I have no apology to offer. What could be lovlier than the workboxes of the days of the young Queen? Many are to be found with all their delightful little ivory fittings intact; and one I came across in an old trunk still had its tiny needlebook, bound with blue lutestring, and filled with needles of such miraculous fineness that I could scarcely thread them. They made me feel a very uncouth and rough individual, and when, under a folded piece of sprigged silk, I discovered a little fan ready to conceal Aunt Addie's blushes or to revive the dear lady should she swoon, I felt quite ill-bred never to have fainted in my life!

Of course in these days, the fan, for all practical purposes, is as extinct as the Ichthyosaurus; and yet, lately there has been a tremendous boom in fans. Can it be that we are about to learn blushing and swooning all over again? Or is the fad, perhaps, a result of the Queen's request to the women who were presented this year? Because of the oppressive perfume of flowers, the Queen asked that they be not worn. Accordingly, those who were presented, realizing the need of some occupation for their hands, all rushed for fans. Or can fans be coming into their own again merely as works of art? The most eagerly sought after, of course, are those painted on "chicken-skin" - a very fine quality of kid on one side a charming and often elaborate picture, on the other, a little vignette, delicately bordered with gold tracery. But some on paper are quite as lovely. Spanish fans with their brilliantly garbed little figures, vie successfully with their English and French rivals, both in beauty and in age. At an auction in King Street not long ago, I saw several fans of not exceptional merit change hands at good prices, and rarely is there a sale of miscellanies that does not include a few eighteenth and nineteenth century fans that stimulate spirited bidding. When dealers are buying in a new market, that is the time for private persons to try to follow suit, or they will soon be paying three times the price.

It's a strange thing, isn't it? that while America is now the home, par excellence, of the generous and attractive fireplace, it is still old England that has the most delightful hearth furnishings. Except in the great houses, we sit and shiver before tiny pint-pots of fireplaces that hold just four match sticks and one near-coal nugget; but our "pint-pot" is flanked on one side by a cosy hob for the teakettle, on the other by a shining brass trivet which holds by one iron finger to the front bar of the grate. In front of the blaze (hyperbole) stands a noble steel footman bearing — say, toasted crumpets. I don't seem to remember our hav-

ing those in the States, or was it that we were all too busy to think of a fireside tea — the nicest meal of the day, I think.

By the way, worth seeing are the lovely little tea cosies they make over here in the shape of thatched cottages. Roses and hollyhocks grow against the white felt walls and there are latticed windows (of camera film) and a little red door with a noble date (1620 perhaps) under the tiny thatch (stair-padding). Do people use cosies in America, I wonder?

The sale of the Michelham treasures, long heralded, eagerly waited for by connoisseurs from all over the world, is now history. Never has there been so fine a collection from one private house sold publicly, and never before were such consistently high prices reached; indeed a large proportion went to private buyers who, for personal reasons, were willing to pay much larger prices than the items were actually worth; so for once the big dealers were forced into the unaccustomed position of underbidders.

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On the first day of the sale, I started hopefully for number 20
Arlington Street about noon, and was dismayed to find a long queue outside the door, waiting dismally, in the faint hope that someone in the already crowded salesroom would grow tired of waiting and give others a foothold.

Vain hope. I was on the point of turning away with hundreds of others who considered it idle to wait, when suddenly a glad thought struck me: was I not a duly accredited member of the hierarchy of the press? Thank heaven for the pencil dangling from my neck. With it "in manu rampant" I murmured proudly "Antiques, of Boston". Perhaps the man in his ignorance thought I was merely introducing myself, anyway the magic portals flew open and I floated through — sails set and banners streaming.

Within, all was interest and excitement. Along the full length of the splendid stone staircase, hung with those glorious paintings and tapestries which later brought hundreds of thousands, and flanked by two great bronze Louis XVI torcheres (£2540) were little groups of people, French, German, Dutch — each gabbling frantically in a different tongue. French seemed to predominate, and that was natural, because much of the furniture to be sold was the work of such master ébénistes of the old régime as Riesener, La Croix, Denizot and Beneman. Such prizes France was anxious to recover at almost any price.

The sale was conducted in the huge double ballroom, where, in Victorian days, the Salisbury Cabinet made history, when number 10 Downing Street was merely a small office convenient to Parliament. Two enormous lustre chandeliers, now, of course, no longer chandellée, reminded one of Versailles, of Schönbrun, of Lichtenstein; and on the panelled grey walls hung those splendid portraits by Romney, Lawrence, Gainsborough and Hoppner—canvases that next day were to be fought for so fiercely. (The beautiful *Pinkie* realized something over \$350,000.)

The sale began with some unimportant lots, each shown on a red dais between the rooms, and, for the first time in London, I heard called bids. As a rule the bid is given by merely lifting a finger or even one eyelid. Here the crowd was so dense and the rooms so huge that calling was the rule. As the sale warmed up, better and better pieces were shown, and the prices soared. Chests of drawers and tables of kingwood, tulipwood and satinwood trimmed with ormolu (or as Christie's catalogue meticulously has it, or-molu) and signed with famous names, went at three and four thousand guineas each. A Louis XV commode by

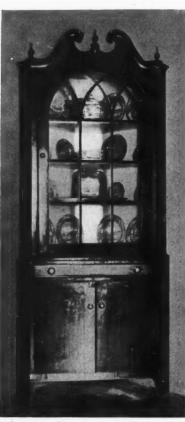
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A shop of authentic antiques less than 30 minutes from Philadelphia via the Delaware River Bridge. Boudin brought \$45,000; another by Beneman (Louis XVI), \$25,000. Beneman, of course, was the man who made mahogany fashionable in France. The total of the first day's sale reached something over \$750,000. As I write this, on the last day of the four day's auction, the sum total has not yet been announced, but it will go far into the millions.

Speaking of mahogany, I was interested to hear from an American friend who had taken home some lovely old Sheraton furniture from here, that the customs inspector had refused to pass it as genuine because, forsooth, it was veneered!

"All veneering is Victorian!" was his pronouncement, and the carefully chosen period pieces were stigmatised "dutiable".

It would be well for that man if he should read a little about the careful veneerers of Queen Anne's time, when, over a carcase of pine or oak the beautiful hand-cut strips of walnut were laid, Later, when mahogany became the thing, and while yet it was sufficiently rare to be worthy of conservation, veneering became a specialized branch of the cabinetmaker's trade; and while in America it perhaps was not extensively used until the nineteenth century, (and even of that I am not quite sure) over here I believe it was not until then that the precious wood became cheap enough to use in slabs. Of course Chippendale was a maker for the very wealthy, and for them he practiced no economies, but Sheraton was not averse to thrifty expedients, of which veneering was most certainly one. Furthermore, in Sheraton's day, the figure of fine wood became a matter of importance, and figure is obtainable only by means of veneers. I have a walnut secretaire bookcase made about 1710, the glowing golden brown wood laid very cunningly over a body of thick pine, which being light in weight, gives all the effect of a solid substantial piece with none of its cumbersomeness. "Victorian" indeed! What nonsense!

For the first time in my life, yesterday I had in my hand a diamond as big as — well my thumb and finger just fitted around it. It weighs, net, over 200 carats, and is of the many-facetted modern cut, scattering red, blue and green sparkles like Chinese fire. Near it lay another monstrous jewel, a brown diamond called *The Golden Dawn*. Both are to be sold at Christie's soon. I thought of all the detective stories I had ever read and wondered how many men's good lives this pretty bauble had cost.

"I'd rather have a nice cool drink of water" I said to the attendant as I gave it back, and I saw him tapping his head surreptitiously as I turned away.

A more interesting sale at the same house is that of two pictures by Sir William Beechey, R. A. One is *The Blind Fiddler*, to be sold by the granddaughter of one of the children in the picture. Eight years ago one of Beechey's pictures realized a sum of about \$30,000 at Christie's; and it will be interesting to see whether the modern school will have scrudged this fine artist's canvases out, or whether his prices are going to soar with time.

The Director of the Department of Ship's Models in the Kensington Science Museum, Mr. Laird-Clowes, was good enough to show me recently an exhibit he is preparing for next month, which far outdoes anything I ever dreamed of. He has old models of every conceivable sort, from the great Elizabethan galley, made of wood and gloriously painted, gilded, and bedecked, to tiny bone models made by the French prisoners during the Napoleonic Wars out of beef bones from their scanty ration. But to me the most amazing of all was a wooden model of the harbour of Toulon. The whole case, glazed, was only about a foot wide. The background showed the houses on the quay set against a sunlit sky made of straw. At the wharves and docks lay ships of all sorts, and in dry dock innumerable tiny ships were undergoing minute repairs. Outside the breakwater a fleet of gallant men-of-war was sailing in, some almost in the harbour, with mainsails furled, others just outside, tacking in with every inch spread.

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Of all the charming things to collect it seems to me the gathering of these old ship models is the most satisfactory and reasonable, and why it should ever pass or "go out of style" I cannot understand, any more than I could conceive of history, poetry and romance losing their fascination; for surely ships are a blend of all three.

Shop Talk

By BONDOME

THERE was a time, not many years since, when certain prognosticators averred that the vogue of old blue Staffordshire was over and would never be revived. Recent sales, however, point in a contrary direction. The dispersal of the Hudnut Collection at the American Art Galleries, November 4, brought some amazing prices. Particularly worthy of comment is the sum paid for a Clews Doctor Syntax soup tureen and cover, listed as unique and in proof condition. Mabel Woods Smith's catalogue, of 1924, quotes \$300 for such a tureen with ladle and stand. Mr. Hudnut's tureen, which may be the same one though without stand and ladle - brought \$1200. Dishes bearing arms of the states likewise brought good prices: a seven-andone-quarter-inch Arms of South Carolina plate at \$45, as against \$50 realized at the Kellogg sale of 1925, and \$75 quoted by Smith, in 1924, represents, however, a decline in that item. An Arms of Georgia twelve-inch platter brought \$400, as against \$160 for a slightly worn example at the Kellogg sale. An Arms of Virginia fruit bowl, nine by nine inches, brought \$950 in comparison with the \$130 paid for a twelve-and-one-half-inch vegetable dish at the Kellogg sale. A Ridgway St. Paul's Church, Boston, platter, nine-and-one-half inches, brought \$200, an advance of \$80 over the Kellogg sale price. A nine-and-one-half inch plate which belonged to Washington's set of so-called Cincinnati China brought the astonishing price of \$1250. This set of china, it will be recalled, is supposed to have been given to General Washington by officers of the French army. It is of standard oriental Lowestoft, with blue border and with centres emblazoned with an oriental figure of Fame carrying the emblem of the Cincinnati. That Washington had a penchant for this type of china is recorded in his own correspondence. Listed in the catalogue as excessively rare, and sold at correspondingly high prices, were a Stevenson platter of Harewood House, England, with medallion of Washington, Lafayette, Jefferson, Clinton, and a view of the Erie Canal; and a soup plate showing a view of Governor's Island.

Aubrey Beardsley was born at Brighton, England, in 1872. He died before he was twenty-six years old. During that short life he produced a vast number of dazzling designs in black and white, which shocked certain folk of the day, but which established the artist's reputation for all time as an extraordinary genius, a kind of fallen star of pre-Raphaelitism, and perhaps the only one in the constellation that possessed both heat and light. A number of Beardsley's drawings were sold at the Anderson Galleries, November 22. Prices ranged all the way from \$75 each for unimportant and unpromising childhood sketches, to \$1200 for the Toilet of Salome. The marvelous Mysterious Rose Garden — one of Beardsley's best — brought \$1050; and eleven drawings made to illustrate Oscar Wilde's version of Salome, \$10,500 for the lot. The sale catalogue, by the way, is one that should be purchased, bound, and kept in the library for the sake of its notes and illustrations.

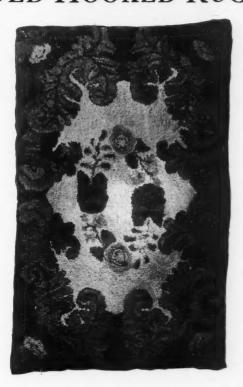
A friend of mine who retains certain pre-war possessions, and likewise boasts a collection of old English silver pap cups tells me that, on special occasions, he has used the latter to purvey the former shortly in advance of company dinners. Certainly such

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The seeker after some novelty in parchment lamp shades is advised to try chintz appliqués. Bits of flower design, bands, borders, and other elements from fragments of old chintz, if pasted directly on parchment shades, produce a pleasant effect by day as well as by night. And they offer a welcome relief from the ladies with insipid countenances and wide skirts who delighted the pious soul of the lamented Mr. Godey.

For the person looking for fabric couch covers, wall hangings and similar decorations not likely to be subjected to heavy wear, the Spanish Alpujarras rugs are, I think, an exceptional purchase for the money. Antiques gave the first news of these rugs as far back as its issue for March, 1922. Since then, Alpujarras has become a well-known term; but current prices indicate a demand lower than the effectiveness of the rugs deserves. At the Pomposa sale, held at the Anderson Galleries, October 24, small mats of the type sold as low as \$10; larger rugs brought \$25, \$40, \$65, \$75, and thereabouts. The finest old Alpujarras rugs will bring more: but the antique departments of the large stores carry a wide variety, priced according to age, pattern, color, and general condition.

A book which I am inclined to recommend very strongly to the consideration of antique dealers - particularly the smaller ones whose knowledge of business theory and business practice is limited to what they can pick up along the way -Gift and Art Shop Merchandizing, by Grace P. T. Knudson. The business of selling gifts, novelties, and such like is not the same, by any means, as that of dealing in antiques. Yet between the two there are many points of similarity. One reason for the occasional fits of stagnation that overtake the antique business is the lack of merchandizing knowledge on the part of the rank and file of dealers who are unaware of the proper relationship between cost and selling price, who have no conception of keeping accounts in which such items as overhead expenses appear, and who are uninformed as to the scientific business aspects of the mark up. Such considerations are given no little space in Gift and Art Shop Merchandizing, and that is the chief reason why I recommend the book.

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COLLECTOR'S LUCK IN ENGLAND. By Alice Van Leer Carrick. Boston, Little, Brown, and Company, 1926. 229 pages, numerous illustrations. Price \$3.00.

THIS is the third of the luck series produced by Mrs. Carrick. The first one was just Collector's Luck, and dealt with various barn, shop, and attic stormings in search of New England antiques. With her second book Mrs. Carrick moved into France. In the present volume she relates her antiquing adventures in England.

Mrs. Carrick, it should be remembered, does not address herself to the specialist or to the seeker after costly rarities. With her, the joy of antiquing — like the joy of fishing to the fisherman — is experienced almost as much in discovering and testing auspicious pools as in landing an occasional stupendous catch.

So, while many of her prizes are in themselves of no vast importance to the critical collector, her telling of the finding is well worth perusal. The said critical collector may turn up his nose

at the pictured chinaware because it is simple stuff, and he may snort at the barometer which, by sad accident, is portrayed wrong side up; but he will almost inevitably find himself wondering what kind of fish would respond to his particular mode of casting in the pools so pleasingly described.

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To the average person who likes to mouse around in dusty shops, pick up inexpensive trifles, and rejoice in presumptive bargains Collector's Luck in Englana will prove not only entertaining but useful; for, arranged at the end, is an address list of those English dealers with whom Mrs. Carrick held converse, and, therewith, some very frank, but usually friendly, comment upon their ways and their wares.

On our part, however, we like best of anything in the book its introduction — a compact, discriminating, and yet charmingly appreciative essay upon England that deserves reading for its own sake.

PINK LUSTRE POTTERY. By Atwood Thorne. London, B.T. Batsford Ltd., 1926. 80 pages, 21 illustrations. Price 10 shillings, sixpence.

THE book consists primarily of twenty-one half-tone engravings picturing, by categories, the author's collection of pink lustre. Altogether, considerably more than a hundred specimens are exhibited and discussed. With the exception of a few saucers, cups, and bowls, each object is illustrated in sufficient size to make identification easy, and the quality of the engraving and printing is high.

The text makes no attempt at extraordinary erudition. For the most part, it deals directly with the illustrations and mercifully avoids excursions into sentimental revery or adventurous narrative.

Of new information enabling the student or collector to assign dates and attributions to his own examples of pink lustre there is very little. Yet it is worth while to note that much so-called Sunderland ware was likewise produced at Newcastle-on-Tyne; to observe that the Wear Bridge was still in decorative use on lustre of the 1850's; and to be informed that the mottling of so-called Sunderland was accomplished not with a sponge, but by sprinkling the pieces with oil before firing. The bubbling of this oil, under heat, dispersed the color in irregular blobs upon the surface to be beautified.

On the whole, however, lustre-collectors will use the book chiefly for the purpose of checking the variety of their own accumulations against that shown in the series of plates published by Mr. Thorne.

How to Distinguish Prints: Written and Illustrated by Members of the Print Society and Edited by Hesketh Hubbard, Founder of the Print Society. Published by the Print Society, an International Society of Print Makers and Collectors. Woodgreen Common near Salisbury in the County of Wiltshire, England, 1926. 127 pages, 16 illustrations. Price 21 shillings.

THOSE collectors of prints who are not familiar with all the technical processes by which their treasures are produced will find this a convenient book of reference. A dozen artists collaborate in the work, each contributing one or more brief chapters dealing with the particular engraving method or methods which he has most studied and practised — hand-tooling on wood and metal, acid-biting, and lithography.

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Antiques is in receipt of two volumes of a sumptuous catalogue, issued by the American Art Galleries, New York City, prelimin. ary to the sale of the Alphonse Kann Collection. The catalogue is handsomely illustrated, bears evidence of care in its compilation, and deserves serious consideration as an illustrated text. The Collection includes ancient, mediaeval, and Renaissance works of sculpture, painting, and decorative art; and covers a wide field of nationality with its Egyptian reliefs, Persian potteries and miniatures, early Italian paintings and Renaissance Italian bronzes and marbles. Exhibition preceding the sale, January 1-5. Sale, January 6-8.

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Attempts at valuation Antiques considers outside its province.

331. A correspondent sends to Antiques the photograph of an armchair (here reproduced) which she believed to be by Duncan Phyfe until, recently, she discovered an English counterpart pictured as occurring in the Victoria and Albert Museum, London. The question in the case seems to be: Does the use of the lyre and the flat acanthus leaf as decorative adjuncts of furniture necessarily indicate the design or the style of Duncan Phyfe?

We are glad to give the question some little space here, in the hope that its consideration may clear up rather widespread confusion in the minds of many buyers of antiques.

First: It must be remembered that the appearance of some specific element of decorative detail in a piece of furniture is not necessarily an index either of designer or of date. In fact, the same elements ap-

Above: Chair by Duncan Phyfe. Right: Eighteenth century English chair.

pear over and over again through long centuries. Hence, it is not these elements, but the manner of their individual use and of their combination with other elements that counts in determining questions of period, nationality, and personal authorship.

Second: In the case of Duncan Physe, it is not correct to use the

name generically — like Chippendale, Sheraton, Hepplewhite — but only specifically, as one uses the names, John Goddard, William Savery, Jonathan Gostelowe. And the reason is clear. Chippendale, Sheraton, and Hepplewhite were, if not primary creators of general styles, at least their popularizers; for each published a book, or books, from which a host of different cabinetmakers derived ideas for new designs. Hence, any piece of furniture conforming in general to any of the designs published by these masters is identified as to its style by the name of that master without much regard to the identity of its actual maker.

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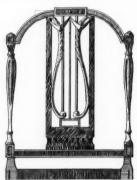
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a style publisher. He, of course, expressed his own individuality in his designs, and expressed it so definitely, within a restricted range, as to make possible the identification of the handiwork of his sh as differentiated from that of other shops. Nevertheless, he followed a prevailing fashion and used prevailing types of ornament in the way of cornucopias, lions' heads and paws, swags, acanthus leaves, and reeded surfaces. He had various competitors who did much the same thing. The details enumerated, therefore, are marks of the style and not of the man; and it is an error to apply the term *Duncan Physe* to pieces of furniture which, while corresponding to the general style followed by Physe, yet fail to display the specific peculiarities of the master.

When we examine the chair of our correspondent, we find certain superficial suggestions of Phyfe. Yet the differences exceed the resemblances

In the first place, it is to be observed that the back frame of the armchair belonging to our correspondent follows virtually straight lines. Phyfe characteristically gives his chair backs a rearward roll. Again, the lyre of this armchair, while it starts at the bottom as a lyre, forgets its musical function when it reaches the top of the chair and twines ribbon-wise about the rail. Phyfe's lyres always retain a vigorous structural character. Sheraton, in some of his designs, however, employs the lyre in much the same manner as that displayed in the armchair. This is observable in the accompanying pen sketch from his drawing book.



CHAIR BACK BY SHERATON

Another difference that should here be borne in mind is the degree of elevation of the lower rail of the back in each of the chairs pictured. Chippendale, it will be remembered, anchored his back splats to his seat frames; Hepplewhite and Sheraton, following the French Louis XVI fashion, placed an anchorage rail slightly above the line of the seat. The latter method is the one employed in the armchair, though the angle at which the photograph has been taken obscures the separation between seat and rail. In the rollback chairs produced by Duncan Phyfe, the lower rail is raised far above the seat line.

Again, the tapering legs of the armchair under discussion are square in section and are marked with a rosette at the joining with the seat; whereas Phyfe inclines either to round, reeded legs or to rectangular legs of curved profile — the latter sometimes reeded, sometimes leaf carved, sometimes terminating in a kind of

Both of the chairs pictured evidently owe their inspiration to the study of antique forms; but the armchair, though English, has found pretty direct inspiration in the French style of Louis XVI; while the Phyfe chair displays responsiveness to the designs of a - that of the Directory and the early Empire.

Whether the armchair should be classed as Hepplewhite or early Sheraton must remain a matter of opinion. The drawing back of the arms so that they are supported in front not by the fore legs of the chair but by the side members of the seat-frame is presumably a characteristic of Hepplewhite; so, too, are the tapering legs of square section. Yet the forthrightness of the piece, its essential rigidity, despite curving lines, its use of brass spindles, are more suggestive of the righteous Sheraton than of the more sensuous Hepplewhite.

As a matter of fact, attempts at arbitrary classification in cases of this kind are rather foolish. The obvious inference concerning the two chairs pictured is simply that the armchair belongs in the late eighteenth century, the other in the early nineteenth. As to that there should be no serious question.

Probably one thing more should be said. The intention of this brief discussion has been simply to indicate certain characteristics of two chairs, which make evident the fact that these pieces must be, not only by different makers but also of different style periods. No attempt has been made to indicate those peculiarities of treatment by which Phyfe's products are differentiated from those of his immediate contemporaries.

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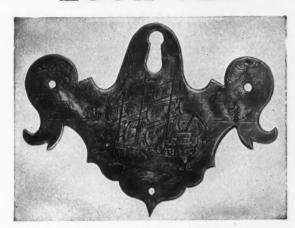
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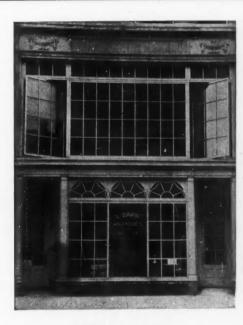
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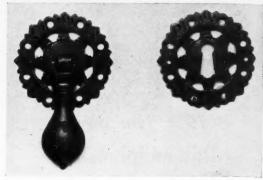
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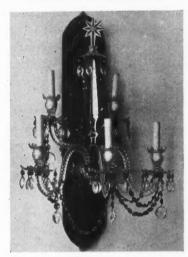
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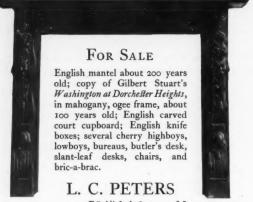
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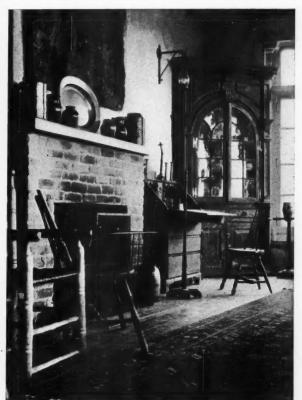
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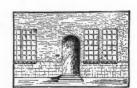
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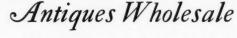
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General line.
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*The Peasant Shop, 81 Charles Street.

*I. SACK, 85 Charles Street. *SHREVE, CRUMP & LOW, 147 Tremont Street. *Spinning Wheel Antique Shop, 35 Fayette Street.

*H. STONE'S ANTIQUE SHOP, 138 Charles Street.

*Thomas & Dawson, 39 Fayette Street.
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*Yacobian Brothers, 280 Dartmouth Street.

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